

Upgradation of small airports in the country

2534. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:

SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to upgrade small airports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the list of small airports selected to be upgraded, State-wise;
- (d) the cost involved in the likely upgradation;
- (e) whether some of the State Governments have agreed to enter into an agreement with the Central Government for upgradation of the airports in their States; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. In order to enhance regional and remote area connectivity, Government of India has decided to develop small airports in tier-II and tier-III cities across the country, in view of which, 5 locations at Hubli and Belgaum in Karnataka, Kishangarh in Rajasthan, Jharsuguda in Odisha and Tezu in Arunachal Pradesh have been identified for the commencement of work during 2014-15. The approximate cost of upgradation of Hubli Airport is ₹141 crore, Belgaum ₹142 crores, Tezu ₹97 crores and Kishangarh ₹160 crores. The estimated cost for Jharsuguda Airport in Odisha to be worked out by Airports Authority of India (AAI) depending on the availability of land.

(e) and (f) Airports Authority of India have entered into agreements with the respective State Governments for upgradation of existing airports at Deoghar in Jharkhand, Raigarh in Chhattisgarh, Meerut, Moradabad and Faizabad in Uttar Pradesh and Civil enclaves at Kanpur (Chakeri), Agra (CE), Allahabad (CE) and Bareilly (CE) in Uttar Pradesh.

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2535. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT:

DR. VIJAYLAXMI SADHO:

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