

Guwahati in Assam, Tiruchirapalli and Chennai in Tamil Nadu, Agra and Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh, Dehradun in Uttarakhand, Jaipur in Rajasthan, Leh and Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir, Kolhapur and Pune in Maharashtra, Patna in Bihar, Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh and Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh. Concerned private operators at Delhi and Bengaluru airports have taken steps to increase the overall capacity of the airports by way of expansion and upgradation of Terminal-1, Construction of 4th runway and Parallel Taxi Track at Delhi Airport and construction of 2nd Terminal Building and new runway at Bengaluru Airport, Karnataka. Further, work has been awarded for the expansion of New Integrated Terminal Building and construction of part parallel taxi track phase-II at Mangaluru Airport in Karnataka.

Airports at risk of floods

1100. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that some airports in the country are at risks of flood;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that due to technically operational crises, Government faces huge loss of emergency services as well as economic loss therefor;
- (c) whether Navi Mumbai International Airport is one of the faulty and flood risk airport under construction thereof; and
- (d) if so, plans and guidelines of National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) to tackle and overcome the problems and corrections of risk factors therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAYANT SINHA): (a) Most of the airports/airstrips in India were constructed prior to Independence especially during the World War-II period. The airstrips are initially constructed/developed on the land provided by the concerned State Governments, with carefully designed drainage systems. However, due to growth of habitation around the airports and the unprecedented rains, some airports face drainage problems at times.

(b) Yes, Sir. Due to drainage problem, operations at the airports are sometimes hampered.

(c) and (d) The Navi Mumbai airport is being developed by CIDCO, Government of Maharashtra. No such issue has come to the notice of this Ministry.