GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 488

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7th February 2022

BASIC FACILITIES AT AIRPORTS IN THE COUNTRY

488. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether re-fuelling, parking, minor repairs and other basic facilities for the civilian aircraft at smaller airports do not exist even after they have been opened for passenger traffic similar to Kolhapur;
- (b) if so, which are the airports where such facilities still do not exist;
- (c) whether Government has prepared any plan prioritising the establishment of such basic facilities as per the requirement within a time-bound span; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, including Kolhapur Airport?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

- (a): Basic facilities required for operation of flights are available at airports with scheduled flight operations including Kolhapur airport.
- (b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) & (d): The upgradation of airport infrastructure is a continuous process and is undertaken by the Airports Authority of India from time to time depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, traffic demand/willingness of airlines to operate to/ from such airports.
