GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 1623 (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1st August 2022)

DIGI YATRA POLICY

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

- (a) whether Government has launched Digi Yatra policy and if so, the details thereof and the aims and objective behind the move;
- (b) whether Government has launched any awareness programme about Digi Yatra Policy and if so, its outcome thereof;
- (c) the airports which were awarded work for implementation of Biometric Boarding System by Airports Authority of India (AAI);
- (d) whether any time bound programme of action is planned to cover all airports of the country under the above scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken by Government for digital transformation of aviation sector?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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- (a) to (c): Digi Yatra policy is an initiative launched by Ministry of Civil Aviation. It aims at providing seamless and hassle-free experience for passengers at airports. Its main objective is to enhance passenger experience by eliminating the need for verification of ticket and ID at multiple touch points and to achieve better throughput through existing infrastructure using a Digital Framework. The project is under implementation stage. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has awarded the work for implementation of Biometric Boarding System at Kolkata, Pune, Vijayawada and Varanasi airports.
- (d) and (e): Digi Yatra is to be implemented across airports in a phased manner. In first phase, Digi Yatra is being implemented at Varanasi and Bangalore in August 2022 and at Kolkata, Pune, Vijayawada, Delhi and Hyderabad by March 2023.

Preliminary testing of the Digi Yatra Biometric boarding system with registration for the 'Day of Travel' at these airports has been completed. Digital transformation of aviation sector is an ongoing endeavour. As per requirement, the digitization of various processes in aviation sector is undertaken.
