GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 189

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5th February 2024)

RISK TO SAFETY AND SECURITY OF PASSENGER AT EASTERN CROSS TAXIWAY AT DELHI AIRPORT

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

- a) whether a report of a Government intelligence agency has found several security lapses at the dual elevated Eastern Cross Taxiway (ECT) at Delhi Airport;
- b) whether the same agency has also observed that there are risks to the safety and security of passengers at ECT;
- c) If so, the details thereof; and
- d) steps which have been taken/being taken to ensure the safety and security of passengers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) to (d): Government Intelligence agency has flagged some security issues related to perimeter wall of Eastern Cross Taxiway(ECT).

For safety and security of passengers at the dual elevated Eastern Cross Taxiway (ECT) at Delhi airport, following steps have been taken:

- i) Construction of reinforced boundary wall of 8 feet height on the taxiway on both sides along with CCTV Surveillance System and Perimeter Intrusion Detection System (PIDS).
- ii) Bureau of Civil Aviation Security has issued direction for ensuring 24X7 surveillance on traffic through CCTVs.
- iii) Installation of Automatic Number Plate Reader (ANPR) and Driver Image Capture (DIC) on the approach road towards the Delhi Airport.
- iv) Strict Access Control to all the buildings in the vicinity and the buildings are covered by CCTV Surveillance.
- v) View of all the buildings in the vicinity having glass windows opening towards ECT is blocked.