

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 1125
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th March 2025)

PROPOSAL FOR NAMING OF AIRPORTS

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

- (a) whether the names of several airports, built across the country, are associated with the names of any great personalities or famous individuals;
- (b) if so, the process for associating the name of great personalities or famous individuals with the airport; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration or approved to associate the names of any great personalities or famous individuals with the airports that are currently under construction or approved for construction, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) & (b): In general, the airports are known by the name of the city where they are located, unless another specific name, including that of a great personality or a famous individual, is proposed by the respective State Government supported by a resolution passed in the State Legislative Assembly. The final decision on the naming of airports is taken by the Union Cabinet after due consultation with the concerned Central Ministries/Departments.

(c): With regard to airports currently under construction, the Ministry of Civil Aviation has received proposals from the respective State Governments for naming the Greenfield Airport in Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, as 'Loknete D. B. Patil Navi Mumbai Airport' and the Greenfield Airport in Vijayapura, Karnataka, as 'Jagajyothi Basaveshwara Airport'.
