

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. : 127  
(To be answered on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018)

RENAMING OF AIRPORTS

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SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) the criteria fixed by the Union Government to rename the airports in the country;
- (b) the names of airports which were renamed during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether there is lack of any firm and explicit instructions/guidelines for renaming of airports in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Union Government would consult State Governments before arriving at any decision on renaming airports, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to keep the name of airport in the name of the main city it serves; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to rename some of the airports in the country including in Tripura and Maharashtra for which proposals have also been received from the States concerned, if so, the details thereof and the status of such proposals along with the time-frame fixed for the purpose?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Suresh Prabhu)

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(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**Statement in reply to part (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.127 for 26.07.2018 regarding "Renaming of Airports":**

**(a): As a general practice, the requests for naming/renaming of airports are considered based on the recommendations of the concerned State Government, supported by a resolution passed in the State Legislative Assembly.**

**(b): During the last three years, including the current year, the Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for renaming of the Agartala Airport in Tripura.**

**(c) & (d): Although, there are no written instructions/guidelines/policy for naming/renaming of airports in the country, as a general practice, the requests for naming/renaming of airports are considered based on the recommendations of the State Government concerned, supported by a resolution passed in the State Legislative Assembly.**

**(e): The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for renaming of the Agartala Airport in Tripura. Proposals for renaming of various Airports have also been received from several State Governments including the Govt. of Maharashtra. No definite time-frame has been fixed in the matter as it involves consultations with the concerned Ministries and final approval by the Union Cabinet.**

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Minister of CIVIL AVIATION  
CHIEF MINISTER

(Sri. Anushree Prasad)

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