

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 984**  
**(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021)**

**HOSUR AIRPORT IN TAMIL NADU**

984. SHRI A.VIJAYAKUMAR

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

- (a) whether Government would state the reasons for not opening Hosur airport in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether the contract between Government and airport developer is the main cause for not opening Hosur airport; and
- (c) whether any request/representation has been made by Tamil Nadu Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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

(a) to (c): The Concession Agreement between Government of India and M/s Bangalore International Airport Ltd. (BIAL) restricts opening of any new or existing domestic airport within an aerial distance of 150 kms from Bengaluru airport for a period of 25 years. BIAL has informed that it may consider one time concession for the purpose of RCS, subject to parties entering into an agreement with specific conditions. Requests have been received from Government of Tamil Nadu on operationalization of Hosur Airport. Considering the bid received under UDAN Scheme and based on the request of Government of Tamil Nadu, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and Airports Authority of India (AAI) in a joint visit to Hosur, studied the feasibility of developing a Passenger Terminal Building and apron for the operation of RCS flights. This would have an investment of Rs. 30 crore approximately. M/s Taneja Aerospace & Aviation Limited (TAAL), who own and operate the Hosur airstrip, have stated their inability to bear this cost and have recommended that the entire investment towards building of additional infrastructure be borne by the Government. However, infrastructural upgradation / development of private airport is not covered under the "revival and development of the airport scheme." Government of Tamil Nadu, therefore, has been requested to take up these issues with M/s TAAL and to enter into an appropriate agreement between TAAL and BIAL for operationalization of Hosur airport for RCS flights.

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