



Ministry of Civil Aviation

Expansion of Runways at Gaggal and Bhuntar Airports

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The Gaggal Airport in Kangra and Bhuntar Airport in Kullu in Himachal Pradesh are suitable for operations of ATR-72 and ATR-42 aircrafts respectively with load penalty in fair weather conditions. In order to make the airports suitable for operations of aircrafts without load penalty, Airports Authority of India (AAI) has projected land requirements of 153 acres and 27.77 hectares respectively for extension of runway and other allied works to the state Government of Himachal Pradesh. Further development works are subject to acquisition and handing over of land free from all encumbrances and free of cost by the state Government to AAI.

This information was given by Minister of State for Civil Aviation Shri Jayant Sinha in a written reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha today.

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