
6.3 CIVIL AVIATION

Outlay – Rs.904.00 lac

6.3.1 Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport is being set up at Chandigarh by the government of India in collaboration with the state governments of Punjab and Haryana. State Government has requested the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Ministry of Defence to permit international airlines to start flights from this airport immediately since the entire infrastructure is ready and the airport has already been notified as a customs airport. Shri Guru Ram Dass Ji International Airport, Amritsar has already been upgraded by Airport Authority of India for which the state has contributed 43 acres of land in addition to the 168 acres contributed earlier to set up the airport. A Civil Airport has been also set up at Sahnewal in Ludhiana District. Additional 7.5 acre of land to Airport Authority of India for installing modern landing aids. AAI has also been requested to extend the runway for allowing bigger aircraft to land here to serve the demand of this Industrial hub. 39 acres of land has been acquired for Civil Enclave at Air Force Station Bathinda. The work is under progress and the airport would become functional very soon. The state government proposes to upgrade the 2 flying academies at Patiala and Amritsar at a cost of Rs 5 crore in the Annual Plan 2012-13. There is also a proposal to start two more flying academies at Talwandi Sabo and Faridkot in Public Private Partnership mode. In the 12th Five Year Plan, there is a proposal to construct a civil enclave at Indian Air Force Station at Adampur near Jalandhar and start domestic flights. A request has already been made to Ministry of Defence for obtaining their NOC for this project.

6.3.2 Against an expenditure of Rs. 49350.03 lac incurred during 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs. 904.00 lac is provided for 12th Five Year Plan. Against an expenditure of Rs. 511.85 lac incurred during 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 904.00 lac is provided for Annual Plan 2012-13. The scheme-wise details are as under:

On Going Schemes

State Funded Schemes

AV-01 Extension and Construction of Aerodromes (Patiala) & upgradation of Flying Training Facilities at Patiala Aviation Club, Patiala and other Clubs (AV-02 merged)

Outlay - Rs 500.00 lac

6.3.3 The main objective of the scheme is strengthening and extension of aerodromes which include improvement/widening of taxi track, construction of boundary wall

around aerodromes, payment of compensation for land purchased for construction of airports in the state. Against an expenditure of Rs. 47852.07 lac incurred during 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs. 500.00 lac is provided for 12th Five Year Plan. Against an expenditure of Rs. 269.65 lac incurred during 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 500.00 lac is provided for Annual Plan 2012-13.

**AV-02 Upgradation of Flying Training facilities at Aviation Club, Patiala
(Merged with AV-01)**

6.3.4 An ACA of Rs. 400.00 lac provided in the Annual Plan 2007-08 could not be got released from FD due to rise in the cost of aircraft. The same amount of Rs. 4.00 crore was kept in the Annual Plan 2009-10, which could also not be released.

**AV-03 Land Acquisition for International Airport Amritsar and other Domestic
Airport(s) proposed to be set up in the State**

Outlay –Rs. 200.00 lac

6.3.5 The Department has to acquire land for the establishment of flying training institute at Bathinda and Faridkot. The project has been completed. Against an expenditure of Rs. 1497.96 lac has been incurred during 11th Five Year Plan an outlay of Rs. 200.00 lac is provided for 12th Five Year Plan. Against an expenditure of Rs. 242.00 lac has been incurred during 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 200.00 lac is provided in the Annual Plan 2011-12.

**AV- 04 Purchase of VIP Helicopter/New Fix Wing Aircraft Helicopter (AV-5
merged)**

Outlay Rs 204.00 lac

6.3.6 The department proposes to buy a helicopter at a cost of Rs. 60.00 crore. An outlay of Rs. 204.00 lac is provided for 12th Five Year Plan and the Annual Plan 2012-13 for the purpose.