

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 566
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AUTOMOTIVE AND AEROSPACE MANUFACTURING CORRIDOR IN KARNATAKA

566. SHRI P C MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of development of the Automotive and Aerospace Manufacturing Corridor in Karnataka, particularly in the Bengaluru region;
- (b) the details of aerospace and precision engineering clusters being supported or planned near Devanahalli, including key infrastructure facilities proposed;
- (c) whether the Government is providing or proposes to provide Central assistance for setting up common testing, certification and validation facilities for automotive, aerospace and advanced manufacturing units in these clusters; and
- (d) the expected impact of these initiatives on investment, employment generation and strengthening of Karnataka's role as a national hub for high-value manufacturing

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES
(SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)

(a): Since Industry is a State subject, the Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) does not deal with establishment of industries in any part of the country including the State of Karnataka. However, The State Government of Karnataka has informed the following:

- i. The State Government has developed Aerospace Park Phase-1 in 1000 acres of land near Kempegowda International Airport, Wherein 250 acres is earmarked for Aerospace sector specific SEZ. This park comprises of key A&D players like Collins Aerospace, Dynamatic Technologies, Centum, Sasmos, Bellatrix, Boeing and many others.
- ii. South Karnataka region, particularly Kolar, Chikkaballapur, and Bangalore Rural have a rich history of Aerospace and Defence excellence. With HAL headquartered here, TASL establishing final assembly line for C130J, and Air India and Indigo ramping up MRO operations, South Karnataka is poised to be the epicenter for Aerospace and Defence manufacturing for India.
- iii. Honda Motorcycle and Scooters Pvt. Ltd, Volvo India Pvt. Ltd and other many ancillary industries have setup their manufacturing facilities in Kolar and Bengaluru Rural District.

(b): The State Government of Karnataka has informed that:

- i. The vicinity of Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru, has increasingly developed into an aerospace cluster, supported by the establishment of the KIADB Aerospace Park, airport based MRO facilities, and interest from aerospace manufacturers. The KIADB Aerospace Park is located adjacent to the Kempegowda International Airport. Aerospace Phase-2 Park is also being developed near KIAL.

- ii. In addition, Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) projects have been taken up at Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru, strengthening the region's aviation ecosystem. The projects include MROs of Air India and IndiGo.
 - iii. Owing to the proximity to the international airport, availability of industrial land and an existing aerospace manufacturing base, several aerospace and allied companies have expressed interest in setting up operations and seeking land in and around Devanahalli.
- (c): No such proposal for central assistance is under consideration in MHI.
- (d): The State Government of Karnataka has informed that:
- i. The Aerospace and Defence Policy 2022-27 aims to attract investments of approximately INR 45,000 crore into the aerospace and defence sector while generating around 60,000 additional jobs. The policy prioritizes the development of Karnataka's MRO and space applications ecosystem and the strengthening of its R&D infrastructure. Overall, it seeks to consolidate Karnataka's position as a leading aerospace and defence hub.
