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ORDER

All aerodromes whether for public use or for private use are required to be licensed by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), before they can be put in operation. DGCA has also laid down detailed guidelines in this regard. All such proposals regarding construction of private airports/ airstrips/ helipads were decided by this Ministry till July, 1997. However, on 31.07.1997, it was communicated that all future approvals for any airports/ airstrips in the country, commercial or otherwise, in the public sector or in the private sector, shall be only with the concurrence of the Union Cabinet.

2.1 Keeping in view the changes in economic scenario, growth in demand for private airports/ airstrips/ helipads, increase in number of aircraft and practice prevailing globally, the matter was reviewed and it was felt that there is a need to liberalize the procedure for approval of private airports/ airstrips/ helipads for private use. Accordingly, following proposal was submitted for the consideration of Cabinet which was approved in the meeting held on 24.4.2008.

"Henceforth all proposals for construction of private airports/ airstrips/ helipads for 'private use' may be decided by the Ministry of Civil Aviation/ DGCA and the requirement of placing such matters for the consideration of the Cabinet may be dispensed with. All requisite clearances, as indicated in para 2 above, would continue to be insisted upon. Further, in order to ensure appropriated scrutiny from security point of view, a procedure of security clearance of the promoters/ owners of the private airports, through the Ministry of Home Affairs, would be put in place."

(Note: Para 2 of the Cabinet Note indicates requisite clearances from Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Environment and Forests, land owner and the local authorities)

2.2 Ministry of Home Affairs have, in the meantime, informed that the security related guidelines in respect of private Greenfield airports as conveyed vide their O.M. No. II.20034/151/2007-IL.II dated 17.9.2007 should be followed in these cases also.

3. The above said decision of the Cabinet may be suitably complied with. It may please be noted that all necessary clearances, as per existing practice, may continue to be obtained. Duly examined/ verified proposals, which are ripe for issue of licence in terms of Part XI of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, may be submitted for the information/ directions of the Ministry, on case to case basis, before finalizing the same.

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