

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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NEW CIVIL AVIATION POLICY .

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the new Civil Aviation Policy will give more sops to airlines;
- (b) if so, whether the main aim of the new Civil Aviation policy will be to usher in an area of cheap air travel in the country;
- (c) if so, whether under this new policy, Government are keen to launch cheap air operations from smaller and non-metro cities; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be launched?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION
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(a) to (d): The draft Civil Aviation Policy which is still under formulation, seeks to set up a policy framework to provide safe, efficient, reliable and widespread high quality air transport services at reasonable prices in the country. The policy, inter-alia, seeks to encourage small

(turbo-prop) aircraft operation to cover smaller and non-metro cities. The draft policy has been widely circulated for views/comments before finalisation.