

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:522

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PERMISSION TO AUSTRIAN AIRLINES TO OPERATE FLIGHTS FROM INDIA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Austrian airlines have sought the permission of the Government to launch its flights from Chennai, Mumbai and Hyderabad to Vienna in addition to the Delhi-Vienna route;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the frequency of service to be operated from these sectors?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) to (c): During the last round of bilateral air services negotiations with Austria in June, 2001, Hyderabad was offered as a point of call to the Austrians. They were however not keen on Hyderabad but instead requested for Mumbai as a point of call for their designated airline. This was not acceptable to the Indian side.