

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS BY FOREIGN AIRLINES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of foreign airlines have evinced interest to start international flights from India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise and airlines-wise;
- (c) whether the Government have also requested reciprocal arrangements with these countries so that Indian Airlines and Air India could operate flights to these countries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): Air Seychelles of Seychelles, China Airlines of Taiwan, China Eastern Airlines of China, Ariana Afghan Airlines of Afghanistan, Mahan Air of Iran, Cyprus Airways of Cyprus and Cross Air (now Swiss International Airlines) of Switzerland have commenced/ evinced interest to start international flights from India in recent past. Reciprocal traffic rights are also available to the Indian carriers for operating to these countries.