

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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HOAX CALL ABOUT BOMBS ON FLIGHTS

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether many flights had to be delayed due to hoax bomb calls recently;
- (b) whether due to lack of caller identification devices these miscreants could not be traced;
- (c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to instal these devices on all telephone lines; and
- (d) other steps proposed to check this problem?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK )

(a) to (d) During September & October, 2002, there were 7 hoax calls which resulted in delay of a few flights.

Caller Line Identification Facility (CLIF) has already been installed at important telephones at airports.

There are instructions to impart suitable training to the staff for handling such calls and ensuring a mechanism for regular checking of the functionality of the facility.