

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:27
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DECLINE IN DOMESTIC PASSENGERS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a sharp decline in the number of domestic passengers as compared to the targets fixed thereof during the year 1999-2000;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) and (b): No, Sir. No specific target for passenger growth has been set. According to the available information, the number of domestic passengers carried during the year 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 was 119.26 lakhs and 125.36 lakhs, respectively showing a growth of 5.11%.

(c) With the induction of more capacity by Indian Airlines/ private scheduled airlines in the near future, it is expected that the number of passengers in the domestic sector will increase further.