

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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FREE TICKET SCHEME ON INTERNATIONAL SECTOR BY INDIAN AIRLINES .  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Indian Airlines floated a scheme between July 1 to September 30, 1999 to give one free ticket for international sector on seven domestic flights and two free overseas tickets on ten domestic flights;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of free overseas tickets given by the Indian Airlines during the above period, sector-wise;
- (d) whether the Indian Airlines suffered a huge loss on this account;
- (e) if so, the details of the loss suffered thereby; and
- (f) the steps being taken to meet this loss?

**Answer**

----- THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(SHRI SHARAD YADAV .....

(a) and (b): Indian Airlines introduced a short term promotion titled the Seven Plus Scheme from 1.7.1999 to 30.9.1999. Passengers flying seven domestic sectors were entitled to one free international return ticket, are those flying on ten sectors were entitled to two free international return tickets on Indian Airlines flights.

(c): Approximately 17,000 free tickets were issued by Indian Airlines under this scheme. Most of these requests were for Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Kathmandu sector.

(d): No, Sir.

(e) and (f): Do not arise.