

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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RECRUITMENT OF STAFF

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

- (a) the number of flights of Indian Airlines and Air India increased during the last three years and estimated to be increased during the next three years;
- (b) the revenue earned by both the Airlines during the last three years, Airline-wise;
- (c) whether there is any shortfall in technical and non-technical staff in comparison to the increase in volume of work;
- (d) whether Indian Airlines and Air India have taken any steps to recruit staff as per their volume of work requirements; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a): The no. of flights operated by Air India and Indian Airlines(including Alliance Air) during the last three years are as under:

Year	Air India	Indian Airlines
2002-03	258	284
2003-04	301	308
2004-05	326	322

During the next three years, both the airlines have plans to introduce flights to new destinations as well as to increase the existing frequencies. However, exact numbers cannot be indicated at this stage.

(b): Revenue earned by Air India and Indian Airlines (including Alliance Air)during the last three years is as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Air India	Indian Airlines
2002-03	5689.88	4687.94
2003-04	6322.07	5379.75
2004-05	3470.76	5916.13
	(provisional)	(upt. Sept.04)

(c), (d) and (e): As the aircraft manpower ratio in Air India and Indian Airlines is adverse in comparison to the global standards, both airlines avoid recruitment in non-technical categories. As far as technical categories are concerned,the details of recruitment in Air India and Indian Airlines are as follows:

(i) Air India has recruited 190 pilots, 130 Graduate Engineer Trainees, 812 Trainee Cabin Crew and 300 Trainee Service Engineers during the last 2 1/2 years. Selection has also been made for 23 posts of Deputy Manager-Finance and are undergoing pre-

appointment formalities.

(ii) As regards Indian Airlines, recruitment action is being undertaken for filling up of 167 posts of Pilots, 403 posts of Cabin Crew/ Trainee Cabin Crew, 64 posts of Officers. Recruitment of Captains/ Co-Pilots is also in progress in Alliance Air.