

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS FOR TSUNAMI RESCUE WORKS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of extra flights operated by both public and private sector airlines during the Tsunami Crisis for rescue works; and
- (b) the extent to which the public sector airlines have provided help in the rescue works during Tsunami crisis?

Answer

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

(a):- Public Sector Airlines operated 139 relief flights from 27.12.2004 to 17.1.2005 and Private Sector Airlines operated 35 relief flights from 27.12.2004 to 17.1.2005 during the Tsunami crisis for rescue works.

(b):- Public sector airlines airlifted :

1. 8448 adults and 245 infants from Port Blair to mainland.
2. 5067 relief personnel and Para-military personnel for relief operations to Port Blair.
3. 358.26 tons of relief cargo to Port Blair.