GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Naresh Chandra Committee on Civil Aviation has submitted its complete report to the Government;
- (b) if so, the main recommendations of the Committee; and
- (c) the status of implementation of these recommendations?

Answer

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

- (a): The Naresh Chandra Committee has submitted Part-I of its report. Part-II of the report is awaited.
- (b)and (c):- Main recommendations and status of implementation is given at Annexure.

Annexure

Main Recommendations and status of implementation of Naresh Chandra Committee Report

- 1. The main recommendations of the committee are as follows:
- (i) Lowering system costs by introducing liberal fiscal regime, allowing airlines to source ATF from supplier of choice and improving coordination with other ministries.
- (ii) Encourage private participation and competition in air transport services with a view to lowering fares.
- (iii) Establishment of an Essential Air Services Fund (EASF) to provide subsidy for uneconomic services to do away with Route Dispersal Guidelines.
- (iv) Reduce airport charges
- (v) In addition to DGCA, BCAS, Establish Aviation Economic Regulatory Authority(AERA) to deal with monopoly situation,
- (vi) Allow domestic private airlines to operate international services and third party ground handling services.
- (vii) Restructuring of IA/AI/PHHL
- (viii) Lower entry barriers for airlines
- (ix) Raise FDI limit in domestic scheduled airlines from 40 to 49%.
- (x) Allow foreign airlines FDI $\,$
- (xi) Liberalise international air transport segment
- (xii) Liberalise international air charters
- (xiii) Encourage regional air services

- (xiv) Expedite privatisation of Mumbai and Delhi airports.
- (xv) Privatise other airports as well
- (xvi) Separation of ATC from AAI and vesting ATC functions to government owned corporation.
- 2. The first part of the report is being examined by the Government. The second part of the report is awaited.