

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF TECHNICAL STAFF AT IGI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether flight operations at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) are getting delayed due to the frequent failure of system owing to acute shortage of technical staff;
- (b) if so, the number of times the system failed at the said airport during the last three years and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for early recruitment of the technical staff at the IGIA and to provide better amenities to the air passengers?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, flights were delayed on account of automation system display failure on 14.01.2010 from 1733 IST to 1930 IST leading to flights delays. On 26.01.2010 from 0030 to 0200 hours, two monitoring positions in Tower and two standby positions in ACC display units also failed, but there was no flight delay. There has also been no system failure due to shortage of technical staff.

(c): Airports Authority of India is in the process of filling up 164 vacancies of Junior Executives (Electronics). In 2008, 83 junior Executive (Electronics) were recruited and further selection for 87 posts of Manager (Electronics) has also been done.