

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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INCREASE IN NUMBER OF PASSENGERS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the number of air passengers during the last one year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the profit earned by the National Aviation Company of India Limited during the said period?

Answer

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

(a) and (b):- The details of passengers carried during the year 2008 vis-a-vis year 2007 are as follows:

Year	Passengers Carried	
	Domestic	International
	(million)	
2007	43.3	26.34
2008	41.3	28.82

(c):- NACIL, which was formed after the merger of Air India and Indian Airlines on 1 April 2007 has reported a loss of Rs. 2226 crores during 2007-08 and is estimated to incur a loss of around Rs. 5000 crores during 2008-09.