

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1725
ANSWERED ON:16.07.2009
IMPACT OF RECESSION ON AVIATION SECTOR
Jindal Shri Naveen

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the expansion of the civil aviation sector has been hit by the recent economic downturn;
- (b): if so, the details thereof;
- (c): whether the expansion plans have been hampered by any other reasons also;
- (d):if so, the details thereof; and
- (e):the steps being taken to revive and expedite the expansion programme?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Airlines all over the world have been adversely hit by the sky rocketing oil prices which dominated in the first half of 2008 and the global recession that followed in the second half of 2008.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d) & (e): Does not arise.