

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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FAILURE OF ILS AT IGIA  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the latest Instrument Landing System (ILS) installed at IGI Airport became dysfunctional recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of flights cancelled due to fog during 2009-2010;
- (d) the total number of aircraft owned by each airline and the number of these are CAT-III compliant;
- (e) the total number of pilots in the country and the number of them are trained to use CAT-III ILS; and
- (f) the action taken to ensure that ILS works properly and passengers are not harassed anymore?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The Instrument Landing System (ILS) installed at Indira Gandhi International airport, Delhi did not fail. However, operation under the CAT-III visibility conditions were affected as the Runway Visual Range (RVR) equipment used for determining the visibility at IGI airport and provided by India Meteorological Department had failed in the month of January 2010 on few occasions. Details are as below;

Runway 28:1-5th Jan, 24th Jan, 2010.

Runway 29:2nd Jan, 16th Jan, 21st Jan, 23rd-24th Jan and 27th Jan, 2010.

(c): Total number of flights cancelled in 2009-10 during fog were 339.

(d) & (e): Details of the Airlines having CAT-III compliant Aircraft and pilots is enclosed As Annexure I.

(f): Since the RVR was not available due to the damage to cable link, Airport operator Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) at IGI airport has been advised to assist the Meteorology Department in repairing the fault occurring in the cable communication systems at the airport. To ensure smooth and efficient operation of the airport, representative of Indian Meteorological Department and DGCA have been included as members in the Airport Coordination Committee.