GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:292 ANSWERED ON:15.04.2010 SECURITY AT THE AIRPORTS Rajesh Shri M. B.;Sardinha Shri Francisco

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of some incidents of security lapses in the airports recently;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to prevent the recurrence of such incidents in the future;
- (c) whether there is any mechanism for the periodical review of the security system of the airports;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the total amount spent on security arrangements at airports during the last three years; and
- (f) the other measures being taken to strengthen the security at airports and in the flights?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to parts (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f) of the Lok Sabha Starred () Question No. 292 for 15.04.2010 regarding security at airports raised by Shri M.B.Rajesh & Shri Francisco Sardinha.

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Government has organized high-level meetings to discuss these issues and all concerned agencies have been asked to implement standard instructions issued on Aviation Security (AVSEC) by Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) which is the regulatory body of this Ministry. The inspection of perimeter wall of IGI Airport has been carried out by the committee consisting of officials from BCAS, Central Industrial Security Force(CISF), Delhi International Airport Ltd.(DIAL) and Air force. The observations regarding improvement in perimeter security have been brought to the notice of concerned agencies. DIAL has been asked to expedite installation of Perimeter Intrusion Detection System (PIDS) and CISF has been asked to intensify perimeter patrolling. The instruction regarding aircraft security and deployment of security personnel for baggage screening has been reiterated.
- (c) & (d) The officials of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) are conducting audits, inspections, security tests and surprise checks from time to time to monitor the security arrangements and readiness at airports.
- (e)The total amount spent on security arrangements at airports during last three years is as follows:

Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) : Rs.37,948.50 Lakh

Mumbai International Airport Limited (MIAL) : Rs. 20,207.00 Lakh

Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) : Rs.19237.65 Lakh

Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) : Rs. 3794.75 Lakh

Hyderabad International Airport Limited (HIAL) : Rs. 19157.37Lakh

(f) The anti-hijacking, anti-sabotage and anti-terrorist attack measures are already in place. Government have also issued instructions for installation of perimeter intrusion detection system (PIDS), CCTV at airports. The CISF has been already inducted at 57 airports and some more airports are being surveyed for the induction of CISF. The Government has already started deployment of Sky Marshals on board domestic flights and Indian Air Carriers operating to other countries.