

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of flights available presently from Delhi to Kullu and Kangra for promoting tourism in Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) whether services of existing flights are not sufficient;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the number of present flight services from Delhi to these two cities alongwith schedule showing the day and time of each flight;
- (d) whether the Government is likely to consider to make available facilities for landing of aircraft during nights; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c):- The details of current scheduled domestic operations to Kullu and Dharamshala are as follows:

Alliance Air

Delhi (Dep 0645)- Kullu (Arr 0805/Dep 0825)-Pathankot (Arr 0910/Dep 0930)-Delhi (Arr 1110) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Delhi (Dep 0645)-Kullu (Arr 0805/Dep 0825)- Delhi (arr 0950) on Sunday.

Kingfisher Airline

Delhi (Dep 0650)- Kullu (Arr 0805/Dep 0840)- Delhi (Arr 1000) on daily basis. Delhi (Dep 1040) - Dharamshala (Arr 1205/Dep 1230)-
Delhi (Arr 1400) on daily basis.

The Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country including North-East region. The airlines provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability while complying with Route Dispersal Guidelines.

(d) and (e):- No, Madam. Night operation to this airport is not technically feasible due to terrain conditions.