

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:495
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INCIDENTS OF UNRULY BEHAVIOUR IN FLIGHTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases of in-flight misbehaviour/unruly behaviour etc. reported in the recent past;
- (b) whether the existing Aircraft Act, 1934 and the rules framed thereunder are unable to take care of such incidents during and in-flights;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has urged the Government to amend the relevant statutes in order to deal with such acts legally; and
- (e) if so, the follow-up action taken thereon?

Answer

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

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

Statement referred to in parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 495 regarding 'Incidents of Unruly Behaviour in Flights'.

(a): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) to (e): Rule 29 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937 deals with the acts likely to imperil the safety of an aircraft. However the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has submitted a proposal to amend the Aircraft Rules, 1937 to incorporate necessary provisions in the Aircraft Rules, 1937 regarding assault and other acts of interference against a crew member and assault and other acts endangering safety or jeopardizing good order and discipline.