

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Air India had to cancel about one dozen of its domestic and international flights recently due to shortage of staff including crew members;
- (b) if so, the number of such flights cancelled during the last six months; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to remove the difficulties being faced by the passengers due to such cancellation?

Answer

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

- (a) and (b): No, Madam. However, Air India Express and Alliance Air, both subsidiaries of Air India, had to cancel 7 and 16 flights respectively during the last six months due to shortage of crew members.
- (c): Air India has initiated steps to recruit crew.