

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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INCIDENT OF EMERGENCY LANDING
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Kochi-Riyadh Flight No. 901 of Air India had recently made an emergency landing at Kozhikode airport;
- (b) if so, the details of such incidents of the flights of Air India during the last two months;
- (c) whether foreign travellers fear travelling by Air India due to recurrence of such incidents; and
- (d) if so, the corrective steps being taken to improve the situation?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. While operating flight No.AI-901 on 2nd October, 2010, Flight Crew observed smoke in the rear cabin and smoke light at the rear toilet. Thereafter, the smoke subsided and smoke light too went off. However, as a precautionary measure, the flight was diverted and made a normal landing at Cochin. One more incident of precautionary landing occurred on flight AI-915, Trivandrum to Damman on 10th November, 2010 due to issues with brake temperature. The aircraft returned to Trivandrum as a precaution. The incident is under investigation.

(c) and (d): No, Madam. However, corrective steps in systems are being taken to prevent the occurrence of such incidents on on-going basis.