

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3797  
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SERVICES OF AIR INDIA EXPRESS  
Paranjpe Shri Anand Prakash

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Air India Express has any plan to open up cheaper air services connecting southern cities to the rest of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the mode of ticketing system in existence with Air India Express is manual;
- (d) if so, the steps taken to modernize this system to compete with other airlines; and
- (e) the time by which the plan will come into effect?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Air India Express has no current plans to open up air traffic connecting internally southern cities to the rest of the country.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): Air India Express has an internet based Reservations and Distribution system with an automated ticketing system. (d) and (e): Do not arise.