

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of trained pilots of Air India and Indian Airlines had left the national carrier to join the private airlines;
- (b) if so, the details of number of such pilots left the national carrier during each of the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) the average money that the airlines spend on training of one pilot; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government to check such practices?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS & MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise. Only 8 pilots have left Air India during last 3 years, which is normal for the Industry.
- (c) The average amount that Air India spends on training of one pilot is Rs.25 to Rs.30 lakhs.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (a) above.