

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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PRIVATE AIRLINES ON INTERNATIONAL ROUTES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has given permission to some private airlines to operate flights on the international routes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, sector-wise and airline-wise;
- (c) the time by which the said operations are likely to be started;
- (d) the likely affect of this move on Air Indian and Indian Airlines; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to protect the interest of national carriers and passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS & MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a) to (c): Yes Madam. International operations were commenced by Jet Airways and Jetlite in 2004, Kingfisher Airlines in 2008 and Spicejet in 2010. The current international operations by them are as under-

Jet Airways - Mumbai - Singapore w, Chennai - Singapore w, Delhi - Singapore w, Chennai - Kuala Lumpur w, Mumbai -Bangkok w, Delhi - Bangkok w, Kolkata - Bangkok w, Mumbai- Hong Kong w, Delhi - Hong Kong w, Mumbai - London w, Delhi - London w, Delhi - Milan w, Chennai - Brussels - New York & w, Mumbai - Brussels - Newark & w, Delhi - Brussels - Toronto & w, Mumbai - Johannesburg - w, Chennai - Colombo w, Mumbai - Colombo w, Delhi - Colombo w, Delhi - Kathmandu w, Mumbai - Kathmandu w, Delhi - Dhaka w, Kolkata - Dhaka w, Mumbai - Dhaka w, Mumbai - Jeddah w, Mumbai - Riyadh w, Mumbai - Dammam w, Trivandrum-Dammam w, Trivandrum - Muscat w, Cochin-Muscat w, Mumbai-Muscat w, Mumbai - Dubai w, Chennai - Dubai w, Delhi - Dubai w, Hyd - Dubai w, Mumbai - Doha w, Delhi - Doha w, Cochin Doha w, Cochin - Sharjah w, Mumbai - Kuwait w, Delhi- Abu Dhabi w, Mumbai - Abu Dhabi w, Mumbai - Bahrain w. JetLite - Delhi - Kathmandu w Kingfisher Airlines - Mumbai - London w, Delhi - London w, Mumbai - Hong Kong w, Delhi - Hong Kong w, Mumbai - Singapore w, Delhi- Bangkok w, Mumbai - Bangkok w, Kolkata - Bangkok w, Chennai - Colombo w, Bangalore - Dubai w, Delhi - Dubai w, Mumbai- Dubai w, Delhi- Kathmandu w, Kolkata - Dhaka w Spicejet - Delhi - Kathmandu w, Chennai - Colombo w

Further, traffic rights have also been granted to Indigo Airlines who will commence operations from September 2011 as under -

Delhi - Dubai w, Mumbai - Dubai w, Delhi - Bangkok w, Mumbai - Bangkok w, Delhi - Singapore w, Mumbai - Singapore w, Delhi - Kathmandu w, Mumbai - Muscat w.

(d) & (e): As per Government policy, due consideration is always given to the operational plans submitted by Air India before allocation of traffic rights to other eligible applicants. Air India thus has the first right of refusal.