

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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DIRECT OVERSEAS FLIGHTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals from various States for direct flights to other countries including USA and European countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Kerala;
- (c) the action taken by the Government on these proposals;and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard alongwith the timeframe for the implementation of the said proposals?

Answer

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

- (a) to (b): Yes Madam. A request has been received from Government of Rajasthan for direct flights from Jaipur to Dubai, London, Washington, New York, Paris and Bangkok. Further, the Government of Kerala has sent a request for commencing operations by Fly Dubai from Kerala.
- (c) to (d): The Indian carriers are eligible to operate to foreign destinations from any point in India as per the respective bilateral air services arrangements with concerned foreign countries. However, actual operations by any airlines is always guided by its commercial judgement.