GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2666 ANSWERED ON:23.07.2009 KINGFISHER AIRCRAFT INCIDENT Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wings of a Kingfisher Aircraft hit the wall at Bagdogra Airport recently;

(b) if so, the details of the incident;

(c) whether any enquiry has been made in this regard;

(d) if so, the outcome of the same; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to avoid recurrence of such incidents in future in the country?

Answer

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

(a) and (b):- Kingfisher A-320 aircraft VT - ADR operating flight IT - 3334 on 27.06.2009 while lining up on Runway 18 at the end of runway, hit a wall erected close to Runway at Bagdogra Airport, damaging the right wing of the aircraft.

(c)and (d):- During Permanent Board Investigation (PIB) it was observed that the incident occurred due to Pilot not adhering to proper taxiing procedure during take off. The involved pilots was off - rostered from the date of incident and listed for corrective training.

(e):-All the pilots operating at the Bagdogra Airport have been advised to exercise extra caution while taking off.