

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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WAGE DISPARITY AMONG INDIAN AND FOREIGN PILOTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is disparity in wages paid by Air India to Indian and foreign pilots; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) and (b): The appointment of expat pilots are based on the agreements entered into with the different agencies. The terms and conditions of engagement of foreign pilots who are appointed on contract basis are different from those of Indian pilots. Hence, it is not possible to compare the wage structure of the Indian pilots with the foreign pilots.