

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1484  
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SHORTAGE OF ATCS  
Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is shortage of Air Traffic Controllers (ATCs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of ATCs in the country;
- (d) the number of ATCs required in the coming years in the civil aviation industry;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to open new institutions for imparting education in air control in various parts of the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) The present strength of 2135 controllers adequately meets the current operational requirements.
- (c) 300 Controllers have been recruited in July, 2011.
- (d) A study on the long-term manpower requirement for ATCOs in India has been completed through an external Agency. The final report is expected shortly.
- (e) & (f) No, Madam. AAI imparts training in ATC at three institutions located at Allahabad, Gondia and Hyderabad.