GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some destinations in North- Eastern States do not have regular flight connectivity, especially from Tezpur and Lilabari;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide regular air connectivity to all these areas and also to provide Instrumental Landing System along with proper infrastructure; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) and (b):- At present, scheduled air services are available to/from all the operational airports in the North-East region viz. Agartala, Aizwal, Dibrugarh, Dimapur, Guwahati, Imphal, Jorhat, Shillong, Silchar, Lilabari and Tezpur. The sectors operated are as per Annexure I.

Scheduled air services in the North East Region are being operated by Indian Airlines, Alliance Air, Jet Aiways, Jet Lite, Kingfisher Airlines, Spice Jet and Indigo.

The details of current operations by scheduled domestic airlines in the North-East region are given at Annexure-II,III and IV.

(c) and (d):- Operations in domestic sector have been deregulated and flights are being operated by concerned airlines on the basis of commercial viability subject to adherence of Route Dispersal Guidelines. Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air connectivity of different regions of the country including North-East region. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability while complying with Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDG). Airports Authority of India has installed Instrumental Landing System (ILS) at following Airports in North East Region:

Guwahati, Imphal, Dibrugarh, Agartala, Dimapur, Silchar and Lengpui.