

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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AIR FARES

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

- (a) whether several private airlines are still levying hidden charges in the fares/increasing the fares by imposing fuel surcharge;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to instruct all scheduled domestic airlines to maintain transparency in announcing fares for peak and non-peak seasons; and
- (d) the steps being taken to set up a regulatory authority to control air fares?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) and (b): Scheduled domestic airlines are displaying components of total fare on their respective website, which comprises of Basic Fare, Airline Fuel Charges, Congestion Charges/Transition Charges, User Development Fees/Airports Development Fees, Passenger Service Fees and Service Tax. There are no hidden chargers other than the break up mentioned above.

(c): With a view to maintain transparency in tariff publication, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has taken following steps:

- Scheduled domestic airlines have been asked to display established tariff route-wise and fare category-wise in their websites, on monthly basis and also to notify any significant and noticeable changes to DGCA within 24 hrs of affecting such a change.

- A Tariff Analysis Unit has been set up in DGCA to monitor tariff on regular basis at periodic intervals.

(d): There is no proposal to set up regulatory authority to control Air fares.