GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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HIKE IN AIR FARES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Aviation Company of India Limited (NACIL) and Private Airlines have steeply raised the air fares in the domestic as well as the international air sectors including North-East Region and Gulf Sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the criteria, if any, fixed for increasing the air fares;

(c) the number of flights cancelled as a result thereof, sector-wise along with the loss of revenue due to said cancellation, airline-wise;

(d) the details of the complaints/ representations received by the Government against this hike by the airlines;

(e) whether there is a huge variation in the highest published air fare by different carriers on the same sector across the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor along with the steps/measures taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard and to check the exponential rise in air fares across the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) : No, Madam.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) : No cancellation of flights have been reported due to hike in air fares.

(d): The total numbers of complaints on hike in air fares during the period January to July, 2012 are as under:

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 Air India    Nil

 Jet Airways & Jet lite    Nil

 Go Air    08

 Kingfisher    03

 Indigo    Nil

 Spicejet    06
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(e) and (f): Government does not regulate the airfares charged by the airlines. However, with a view to maintain transparency in tariff publication, Air Transport Circular 2 of 2010 has been issued by Directorate General of Civil Aviation wherein the airlines were asked to display on their web-site the tariff sheet route-wise across its network in various fare categories, in the manner it is offered in the market.