GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:9 ANSWERED ON:19.11.2009 INCIDENTS OF VEHICLES COLLISION AT IGI Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been many incidents of vehicles colliding at the Indira Gandhi International Airport due to large number of vehicles plying without observing the required norms;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it has been observed that the ground handlers and the vehicles operating on the airside is much more than the optimum;

(d) if so, whether the Government has formulated any fresh policy to bring down the number of vehicles plying on air side; and

(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b):- There have been 17 incidents involving vehicles operating in the operations area of Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport this year as against 39 incidents last year.

(c):- The vehicle/ equipments permits to ground handlers are issued by Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) after careful examination/ scrutiny of their requirement. The number of vehicles are commensurate to the type of operations at the airport.

(d) and (e):- Air Safety Circular 4 of 2007 have been issued by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to regulate and reduce vehicular traffic at IGI airport. DGCA has also issued a modified Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) 7/2007 dated 28.09.2009 on ground handling services at airports, to reduce the number of ground handlers at the airport and consequently the number of vehicles plying on the airfield.