

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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SECURITY LAPSES AT AIRPORTS

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

- (a) the number of instances of security lapses at different airports reported during the last three years and the current year, airport-wise and year-wise;
- (b) whether the functioning of the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) has been reviewed by the authorities in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the shortcomings noticed during all these reviews;
- (d) whether the BCAS has requested the Government to do away with the practice of permanent passes including airport entry permits/passes to VIP protocol and transferable passes issued by embassy personnel;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of passes issued to various Government officials and embassy officials;
- (f) whether any alternative arrangement has been envisaged to replace the system;and
- (g) if so, the details thereof along with other specific measures being proposed to restructure BCAS and lay down adequate operational framework for aviation security?

**Answer**

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI K. C. VENUGOPAL)

(a): The number of reported instances of intrusions and other cases during last 3 years and the current year, region-wise are as under:

S.No. Airport Region wise  
2009 2010 2011 2012(up to Oct)

01	Mumbai Region	1	2	-	-
02	Delhi Region	-	5	1	3
03	Kolkata Region	6	6	3	-
04	Chennai Region	2	6	5	-

(b) and (c): Yes, Madam. The review of working of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security(BCAS) is done from time to time. Recently, the Government engaged a Study Team from the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) to carry out a detailed study on the aviation security arrangements and procedures in India and to make suggestions for restructuring of BCAS.The study team has, inter-alia, recommended creation of a dedicated Aviation Security Force and re-structuring of BCAS to tide over acute shortage of manpower.

(d) and (e): No such proposal is under consideration of this Ministry. The total number of passes issued to Government and Embassy Officials are 1486

(f): Does not arise

(g): As mentioned in reply to parts (b) and (c) above.