

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of countries with which Bilateral Air Services Agreements(BASAs) exist;
- (b) the advantages for airlines under such agreements;
- (c) whether the Indian carriers have been able to utilise all such benefits;
- (d) if not, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure Indian carriers their entitlements?

Answer

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

- (a) India has entered into Bilateral Air Services Agreements (BASAs) with 109 countries. The list of countries is at Annex.
- (b) Such agreements provide bilateral rights for air connectivity between the countries.
- (c)to (e) Eligible scheduled airlines viz. Air India, Jet Airways, Spicejet and Indigo are utilizing their traffic rights in conformity with AIC 8 of 2009. The Ministry of Civil Aviation is now allocating more and more bilateral traffic rights to all Indian carriers to utilize maximum traffic rights to different countries.