

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SEAT IN DOMESTIC AIRLINES .
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of seats in a day that lie vacant in domestic airlines in the country along with the details, airlines-wise;
- (b) the current booking policy of the aviation sector;and
- (c) the manner in which this has affected the revenue and profits generated by the aviation sector, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI K. C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) The Passenger Load Factor of scheduled domestic airlines for the year 2013 (Jan-May) on domestic network is as follows, which indicates the utilization of capacity:

Airlines Passenger Load Factor%

Jan. 13 Feb13 Mar.13 Apr.13 May 13

Air India 78.8 77.4 80.9 78.9 82.0

Jet Airways 75.5 77.9 71.3 69.4 75.1

JetLite 76.3 77.2 71.0 71.0 77.2

IndiGo 84.1 85.4 79.0 83.8 89.6

SpiceJet 71.6 80.8 76.1 75.0 80.9

Go Air 79.4 80.0 77.1 79.5 85.8

(b) and (c) Policy on booking of tickets by airlines is a commercial matter decided by airlines themselves depending upon market factors and international practices. Further, the airlines usually have several distribution channels for booking seats including the following :

1.Airlines Offices/Call centres 2.Airlines Website 3.Airlines` Travels Agents including Online Travel Agents.

The revenue and profits of airlines are again dependent upon market forces of demand and supply and the operating costs governing airline operations in the country.