

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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DIRECT FLIGHT FROM KOCHIN TO EUROPE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received request from the State Government of Kerala to start direct flights from Cochin International Airport to Europe;and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken thereon?

Answer

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(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The Government of Kerala through Memorandum submitted to Ministry of Civil Aviation in March,2013, had requested for Air India flight from Cochin to Europe (London). The request of the Government of Kerala was forwarded to Air India. Air India has informed that they currently offer same day connecting service between Cochin to London, Frankfurt and Paris via Delhi, since Delhi is the hub for Air India. Passengers desirous of traveling between Cochin and destinations in Europe can avail of the convenient connecting services offered by Air India.