

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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INCENTIVES FOR AIRLINES CONNECTING SMALL TOWNS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Airport Authority of India has taken a decision to propose incentives to the Airlines which operate their flights from smaller towns;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any Airlines have come forward to avail this opportunity;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Following incentives are given to airlines which operate their flights from smaller towns:

- (i) No landing charges on domestic scheduled airlines operating with aircraft with seating capacity of less than 80 at Airports Authority of India (AAI) airports except Kolkata and Chennai airports.
 - (ii) Free overnight (between 2200 hrs. to 0600 hrs.) parking of domestic scheduled airlines at AAI Airports situated in States where State Government has reduced VAT on ATF to 4%.
 - (iii) 25% rebate/concession on landing and parking charges to all flights by scheduled airlines operating to airports in the North Eastern Region.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Madam. All domestic airlines such as Air India, Jet Airways, IndiGo, Spicejet & Go Air are availing these concessions.