

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:819
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ROUTES OF AIR INDIA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the routes, domestic and international, being operated by Air India at present;
- (b) the details of the routes operated by Air India, both domestic and international which are running in losses at present along with the routes running in profit; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make loss making routes of Air India profitable?

Answer

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

- (a) : The details of domestic and international routes being operated by Air India are at Annexure A & B.
- (b): The details of the domestic and international routes running in loss and profit for the period April-June, 2013 are as under:-

Sl.No.		No. of Services
1.	Services not meeting fuel cost	02
	Domestic	
2.	Services meeting fuel cost but	11
	not meeting cash cost	
3.	Services meeting cash cost but	80
	not meeting total cost	
4.	Services meeting total cost	20
	International	
1.	Service not meeting fuel cost	01
2.	Services meeting fuel cost but	25
	not meeting cash cost,	
3.	Services meeting cash cost but	24
	not meeting total cost	
4.	Services meeting total cost	07

(c): Under the Turn Around Plan approved by the Cabinet, the Government has taken several steps to make the loss making routes profitable. Some of the steps taken by the Government are:-

- (i) Discontinuation of highly loss making routes where there is no probability of profitability even in remote future.(ii) elimination of route network including parallel operations
- (iii) induction of new fuel efficient aircraft on several domestic and international routes to increase passenger appeal and reduce operational cost
- (iv) enhanced utilisation in new fleet of new aircraft
- (v) phasing out of old fleet and consequential reduction in maintenance cost.
- (vi) establishment of institutional mechanism to promptly respond to market developments.