

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is shortage of trained pilots in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to set up more pilot training institutions in the country;and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): Yes Madam. There is shortage of type rated Commanders (Type rated Pilots or Pilot in Command) in the country due to growth in aviation industry and induction of new aircrafts in the fleet of airlines. However, there is no shortage of Pilots at the entry level and sufficient numbers of co-pilots are available and employed with the airlines.

(c): No Madam.

(d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.