

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1274

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VACANCY IN AAI

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Chairman and as many as 840 posts of Communication and Navigation and Surveillance (CNS) Wing of Airport Authority of India (AAI) are vacant thereby putting at risk the lives of passengers and cabin crew;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to fill all vacant posts of CNS;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a)&(b): About 800 posts in Communication, Navigation and Surveillance discipline are vacant. There is no safety risk on the passengers and cabin crew as all the facilities and equipments are maintained as per the International Civil Aviation Organisation requirement.
- (c)&(d): Yes, Madam. Airports Authority of India Board has relaxed the eligibility requirements for the departmental employees to fill the vacant position on time.
- (e): Does not arise.