GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1311 ANSWERED ON:12.12.2013 CANCELATION OF FLIGHTS Virendra Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cancellation of number of flights due to technical reasons is increasing continuously; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that the cancellation of flights is avoided due to technical reasons?

Answer

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

(a) and (b):- No Madam, it can not be said that cancellation of flights due to technical reasons is increasing continuously. Percentage of flight cancellation due to technical reasons in 2013 up to October is as follows:

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Year Month (In Percentage)
2013 January 0.700
February 0.548
March 0.345
April 0.242
May 0.238
June 0.455
July 0.407
August 0.416
September 0.485
October 0.454
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If any aircraft is grounded due to technical reason, the operator concerned addresses the issue with the aircraft manufacturer for redressal of the problem which is a normal practice.

However, to maintain the aircraft airworthy, it is monitored whether the Airworthiness Directive (AD), Service Bulletin (SBs), which has been issued by the regulatory authority or manufacturer are incorporated or not by the operator.