

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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RUSH IN DELHI COCHIN THIRUVANATHAPURAM FLIGHT  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that flight (AI048) between Delhi-Cochin- Thiruvananthapuram is continuously delayed which has caused inconvenience to the passengers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken thereon;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the heavy rush of passengers between Delhi-Cochin-Thiruvananthapuram sector during evenings; and
- (d) whether daily evening flights are proposed in the sector and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Generally flights are operated as per schedule. However, at times the flights are delayed due to technical, operational, commercial, weather related and miscellaneous reasons which are beyond the control of the airlines. The details of the flights operating on the Delhi-Cochin-Thiruvananthapuram sector for the last six months is as Annexed.

(c) and (d): Air India operates three flights daily in Delhi-Cochin- Thiruvananthapuram sector as follows:

Route	Dept	ex-Delhi
Delhi-Cochin		0555 hrs
Delhi-Cochin		1335 hrs
Delhi-Cochin- Thiruvananthapuram		1805 hrs

Moreover, there are flights operated by other private schedule airlines like Indigo, Jet and Spice Jet in this sector.