GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4526 ANSWERED ON:17.12.2009 SKIDDING OF AIRCRAFT ON RUNWAYS Deora Shri Milind Murli

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been cases of aircraft skidded off the runway when the runway was wet at the Mumbai airport during the last two months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the guidelines of the Mumbai International Airport Ltd.(MIAL), the airport developer, ragarding operating on a wet and short runway were not followed;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether any action has been taken against the airlines/pilots for violating the guidelines; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

- (a) and (b):- Yes, Madam. An incident of M/s. Kingfisher Airlines ATR 72 aircraft VT KAC skidding off wet runway at Mumbai airport was reported on 10.11.2009, which is being investigated as per the provision contained in the Aircraft Rules, 1937.
- (c):- All the scheduled operators were informed on 09.11.2009 about the precautions to be observed while using Runway 27A under wet condition, followed by issuance of circular dated 10.11.2009.
- (d),(e) and (f):- The incident is under investigation and follow up action will be taken based on the recommendations made in the investigation report. Meanwhile, the privileges of licences held by operating crew have been suspended pending investigation under Aircraft Rules.