

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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EMERGENCY LANDING OF AIR INDIA FLIGHT  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there has been a recent incident wherein a Mumbai-bound Air India flight from Newark International Airport was forced to return and make an emergency landing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether after landing one of the blades of the engine was found fractured due to stress which resulted in violent vibrations; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) and (b): On Flight AI-144 operating on Mumbai-Newark sector with Boeing 777-300ER aircraft, the right hand engine experienced vibrations which crossed the normal levels. Hence, the pilot returned to Newark after fuel jettison. Pilot did not declare emergency, and hence, this was not an emergency landing.

(c) and (d): On inspection conducted on landing, one fan blade of the engine was found damaged.