

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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NEW FLIGHTS FROM SURAT AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Air India is considering to start new flights from Surat to other various places of States/UTs of the country including Kolkata and Chennai and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any traffic survey has been conducted in this regard and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the details of the proposals received by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year along with the action taken thereon?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (ShriG.M. Siddeshwara)

(a): No, Madam.

(b): No, Madam. Air India has not conducted any survey in this regard. However, as per IATA PAX, the current Market between Surat-Chennai and Surat-Kolkata is 4 and 3 passengers per day respectively.

(c): The following flight schedules to/from Surat have been approved by the DGCA for the years 2011, 2012, 2013 and the current years:

Year	Airline	Sector	Flights/week
2011	Alliance Air	Surat Delhi & w	7
2012	Alliance Air	Surat-Delhi & w	7
	Spice Jet	Surat-Delhi & w	7
		Surat-Delhi- Mumbai and w	7
2013	Alliance Air	Surat-Delhi & w	6#
	Spice Jet	Surat-Delhi & w	7
		Surat-DeBhi- Mumbai and w	7
2014	Alliance Air	Surat-Delhi & w	4
	Spice Jet	Surat-Mumbai & w	7
		Surat-Delhi & w	7

Frequency was reduced to 4 flights/week in winter schedule.