

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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TRAINING TO FLY DREAMLINERS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Air India has selected a number of pilots to train them to fly Boeing 787 Dreamliners recently acquired by it;
- (b) if so, whether all the pilots selected for this training belong to Air India only or some are from the erstwhile Indian Airlines and if so, the details thereof along with the cut-off age for these pilots; and
- (c) whether any of the selected candidates is above the cut-off age and if so, the reasons for selection of such pilots?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Pilots belonging to both erstwhile Air India and erstwhile Indian Airlines have been selected for training to fly the B 787 Dreamliner aircraft. The cut off age for Air India and Indian Airlines is 3 and 5 years respectively prior to superannuation. Details of Pilots flying B 787 from Wide and Narrow Body are as follows:

S.No.	Pilots	Type of aircraft	Number of Pilots
(i)	Commander (PI)	Narrow Body	55
(ii)	Commander (PI)	Wide Body	51
(Hi)	Co-Pilot (P2)	Narrow Body	54
(iv)	Co-Pilot (P2)	Wide Body	67

(c): No, Madam. At the time of selection all pilots shortlisted were within the cut off age limit.