

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICES FUND
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to create Essential Air Services Fund (EASF) to provide financial support to air transport service providers for operations on unviable routes;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the said EASF is likely to be created by the Government?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): There is no decision as yet on creation of Essential Air Services Fund (EASF) and, therefor, time line cannot be given for its creation.