Title: Need to keep scheduled time of the Indian Airlines flights and increase air traffic on Delhi-Bhubaneshwar route.

SHRI ARJUN SETHI (BHADRAK): Nowadays there is a direct flight – of course it is an airbus service – from Delhi to Bhubaneswar. The scheduled time of departure of this airbus service to Bhubaneswar is 11.30 a.m. and it departs from Bhubaneswar to Delhi at 2.10 p.m. I am sorry to mention here that the arrival and departure time is invariably disturbed always. It means, sometimes it is two hours late, sometimes it is three hours late from Delhi as well as from Bhubaneswar. So, I would like to draw the attention of the hon. Minister of Civil Aviation, through you, to this fact and urge him to direct the Indian Airlines to run this particular flight from Delhi to Bhubaneswar on time. It is because you must be knowing that Bhubaneswar is one of the tourist destinations of the country. Many tourists use this particular service as there is only one flight to Bhubaneswar from Delhi. So, invariably, when it becomes late, it is very difficult on the part of the tourists as well as officials to travel from Bhubaneswar to Delhi. The officials have to attend the offices here in the Central Government, and also the tourists have their own appointments in different places of interest.

So, I urge upon the Government that they should direct the Indian Airlines to run this particular direct flight from Delhi to Bhubaneswar on time, otherwise they should change the timing of this flight. What is the need to have a time-table or scheduled timing for the flight, when it runs late? So, I urge upon the Government that they should direct the Indian Airlines to adhere to the time schedule, otherwise – if there is any difficulty – they should change the time-table.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House stands adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11 a.m.

20.04 hrs.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock on Wednesday, August 24, 2005/Bhadrapada 2, 1927(Saka).