GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 808** (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28th July 2015)

EXPANSION OF AIR SERVICES IN RAJASTHAN

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

(a) whether Government proposes to expand air services in the State of Rajasthan in view of the unprecedented rise in the number of air travellers in Rajasthan during the last few years;

(b) the number of flights discontinued during the last three years from Jaipur and Jodhpur airports together with the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Central Government proposes to increase the number of domestic and international flights from Jaipur, Jodhpur and Udaipur airports?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) At present scheduled domestic air services are available to/from Jaipur, Jodhpur & Udaipur airports in the state of Rajasthan. Government has laid down route dispersal guidelines (RDG) with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services of different regions of the country. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines issued by Government.

(b) The details of flights cancelled from Jaipur & Jodhpur during the last three as follows:

Airlines	Route
Jet Airways & Jet Lite	Jaipur-Udaipur-Jaipur
	Indore-Jodhpur-Indore
	Indore-Jaipur-Indore

	Ahmedabad-Jaipur-Ahmedabad
Air Costa	Hyderabad-Jaipur-Hyderabad
Spice Jet	Jaipur-Ahmedabad Jaipur-Pune Jaipur-Hyderabad Jaipur-Mumbai

(c) Airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country in compliance with RDG. Designated airlines of all SAARC countries (except Afghanistan and Pakistan) and all ASEAN counties (except Philippines and Loa PDR) are allowed for unlimited number of operations to /from 18 tourist destinations of India including Jaipur. However, Indian carriers are free to operate from any point in India including Jaipur to the foreign destinations as per the respective bilateral air services arrangements with the concerned foreign country. However, actual operation by any airline guided by its commercial judgments.
