# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION RAJYA SABHA INSTADDED OUESTION NO 101

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 191**

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1st December 2015)

#### PROMOTION OF REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY AND AIRPORTS

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering improving regional connectivity and promoting regional airports and airlines in the country;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that air traffic in the country is focused around bigger cities and the six key metros which constitute over 65 per cent of the total air traffic in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

- (a) & (b): The Government has released Draft Civil Aviation Policy which inter-alia includes various steps for improving the Regional connectivity and to encourage the development of airports.
- (c) & (d): At present the traffic at metro airports is more than other airports but Directorate General of Civil Aviation has not carried out any study on this.

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