# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 979**

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018)

# FLYING PROFESSIONAL IN KEY POSTS FOR NON-SCHEDULED OPERATORS

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) has recommended the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to ask all non-scheduled operators to have a flying professional at least at one of the key posts in the company;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that this was based on the findings arising out of a crash of a helicopter that killed all five persons on board recently; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

a) & b) Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) in their investigation report of accident to M/s United Helicharters Pvt. Ltd. Bell 212 helicopter VT-HGB on 29.09.2013 has recommended the following:

"DGCA may issue instructions that all the Non Scheduled Operators should have a flying (current) professional at least at one of the key post(s) to have a better control on operations from safety point of view"

In this regard, DGCA has mandated the compliance of this requirement in Appendix 'H' of CAP 3300 & 3400.

c) & d) The recommendation has been made in the investigation report of accident of a helicopter wherein 05 persons on board received fatal injury on 29.09.2013.

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