

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
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TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st March 2022
AIR ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATIONS

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

- (a) whether Government has completed investigations in all the air accidents that happened since 2016;**
- (b) if so, the details of the major reasons for its occurrence;**
- (c) the details of the measures taken to avoid its reoccurrence; and**
- (d) the number of people who have died in air accidents since 2016, year-wise?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
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(a) Out of 49 investigations ordered for air accidents since 2016, 43 accident investigations have been completed and only 06 investigations ordered since 2021 are in progress.

(b) The major reasons for such occurrences were inter-alia non-adherence to Standard Operating Procedures(SOPs) by cockpit crew and factors related to technical defects, weather and Air Traffic Control.

(c) The steps taken by the Air Safety Regulator, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to avoid reoccurrence of accidents include:

- (i) Safety recommendations emanating from the investigation reports followed up for implementation with the concerned agencies so as to prevent recurrence of similar accidents in future.**

(ii) Accident/incident data regularly analyzed and based on the analysis, Air Safety Circulars issued to bring important observations/findings to the notice of the operators to avoid the recurrence of the accidents/incidents.

(iii) The DGCA implements an Annual Surveillance programme .Findings of audit reports and surveillances are followed up with the operator for compliance. The compliance of the action taken by the operator is further verified during the next audit/surveillance.

(d) The number of people who died in air accidents since 2016 (year wise) is as under:

Year	No. of Fatalities
2016	03
2017	03
2018	12
2019	05
2020	27
2021	01
2022(till date)	01
Total	52
