

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 483
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12th December 2022
SHORTAGE OF PILOTS

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

- (a) whether there is an acute shortage of pilots in the country?**
- (b) if so, the gap between the demand and supply, along with the steps being taken by Government to meet the demand?**
- (c) whether retired foreign pilots are allowed to fly airlines in the country?**
- (d) if so, details and justification thereof? and**
- (e) the details of aviation universities/training and flying schools set up/proposed to be set up to meet the requirements of rapidly growing aviation sector?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))**

(a) and (b) There is no shortage of pilots in India. There is, however, shortage of Type rated Commanders/PIC (Pilot-in-command) on certain types of aircraft and the same is being managed by utilising foreign pilots by issuing Foreign Aircrew Temporary Authorization (FATA). Presently, there are 82 FATA holders in India.

(c) and (d) Foreign pilots are issued Foreign Aircrew Temporary Authorization (FATA) under the provisions of Rule 45 of Aircraft Rules, 1937 & CAR Section 7, Series G, Part II. FATA is not issued to foreign license holder above the age of 65 years in conformity with

Rule 28A of Aircraft Rules, 1937, and is further restricted to any lower age limit prescribed by the license issuing contracting State.

(e) There are 34 DGCA approved Flying Training Organizations (FTO) in India operating on 52 bases which provide aircraft flying training to obtain CPL (Commercial pilot License). List of FTOs is at Annexure I.

There are 07 Approved Training Organizations (ATO) which provide type specific aircraft training to Pilots. List of ATOs is at Annexure II.

Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University (RGNAU), India's only aviation university has been established at Amethi, Uttar Pradesh (UP) under an Act of Parliament.

ANNEXURE I**ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 483
DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12.12.2022****LIST OF DGCA APPROVED FLYING TRAINING ORGANISATIONS**

S No	State	Name	Address	Additional bases
1.	Bihar	Bihar Flying Institute	Patna Airport, Patna	
2.	Gujarat	Ahmedabad Aviation & Aeronautics Ltd.,	AAA Hangar, Old Terminal Airport, Ahmedabad, Gujarat	
3.	Gujarat	Gujarat Flying Club,	Vadodara Airport, Gujarat	
4.	Haryana	Haryana Institute of Civil Aviation	Civil Aerodrome, Kunjpura Road, Karnal, Haryana.	1. Hisar, Haryana 2. Pinjore, Haryana
5.	Haryana	FSTC Flying School Private Ltd	Chaudhary Bansi Lal Airport, Bhiwani, Haryana	Narnaul, Haryana
6.	Jharkhand	Alchemist Aviation Pvt. Ltd.	Jamshedpur, Jharkhand	
7.	Karnataka	Govt. Flying Training School	Jakkur, Bangalore	
8.	Karnataka	Orient Flight Aviation Academy	Mysore, Karnataka	
9.	Kerala	Rajiv Gandhi Academy for Aviation Technology	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	
10.	Madhya Pradesh	Chimes Aviation Academy,	Sagar, Madhya Pradesh	

11.	Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh Flying Club, Indore	Devi Ahilyabai Holkar Airport, Civil Aerodrome, Bijasan Road, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
12.	Madhya Pradesh	Sha-Shib Flying Academy,	Guna, Madhya Pradesh	
13.	Maharashtra	Academy of Carver Aviation,	Baramati Airport, Baramati, Maharashtra	
14.	Maharashtra	Blue Ray Aviation	BRAPL Hangar, Osmanabad Airport, Maharashtra	Mahesana, Gujarat
15.	Maharashtra	Nagpur Flying Club	Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Civil Lines, Nagpur, Maharashtra.	
16.	Maharashtra	National Flying Training Institute, Pvt. Ltd,	C/o Airport Authority of India, Birsi Airport, P.O.P; Parawada, Gondia, Maharashtra	
17.	Maharashtra	Redbird Flight Training Academy Pvt. Ltd.	Baramati Airport, Baramati, Maharashtra	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seoni, Madhya Pradesh 2. Lilabari, Assam 3. Kalaburagi, Karnataka
18.	Maharashtra	SVKM NMIMS Academy of Aviation	Campus-Babulde, Shirpur, Dist. Dhule, Maharashtra	
19.	Maharashtra	SKYNEX Aero Pvt. Ltd.	Jalgaon Airport, Jalgaon, Maharashtra	
20.	Maharashtra	The Bombay Flying Club,	Juhu Airport, Santacruz (W), Mumbai, Maharashtra	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mumbai, Maharashtra 2. Dhule, Maharashtra
21.	Odisha	Govt. Aviation	Directorate of Aviation, Orissa, Civil	Birasal, Odisha

		Training Institute,	Aerodrome, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha	
22.	Punjab	Patiala Aviation Club	Patiala, Punjab	Amritsar, Punjab
23.	Rajasthan	Banasthali Vidyapith Gliding Flying Club	Banasthali, Dist. Tonk, Rajasthan	
24.	Telangana	Asia Pacific Flight Training Academy Ltd.	GMR HIAL Airport, Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamshabad, Hyderabad, Telangana (2013)	1. Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad, Telangana (2015) 2. Kalaburagi Airport, Karnataka (2021)
25.	Telangana	Flytech Aviation Academy,	A1-Kauser, Plot No.295, Road No. 10, West Maredpally. Secunderabad. Telangana	1. Nadirgul, Telangana 2. Nagarjun Sagar, Andhra Pradesh
26.	Telangana	Telangana State Aviation Academy,	Andhra Pradesh, old Air Port, Hyderabad, Telangana	
27.	Telangana	Wings Aviation Pvt. Ltd.,	1-11-256/B, Plot No. 108, Adjacent Airport Road, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Telangana	
28.	Uttar Pradesh	Ambitions Flying Club Pvt. Ltd	Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	
29.	Uttar Pradesh	Chetak Aviation	MS-10, NH-91, Aligarh Airstrip, Dhanipur Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	
30.	Uttar Pradesh	Falcon Aviation Academy	Ayodhya, Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh. (Non-operational) (2013)	Rewa, Madhya Pradesh (2019)

31.	Uttar Pradesh	Garg Aviation Ltd. UP	Hangar No.3dhule, Civil Aerodrome, Cantt. Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh	
32.	Uttar Pradesh	Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Udan Akademy	Fursatganj, Dist. Raebareilly, Uttar Pradesh	Gondia, Maharashtra
33.	Uttar Pradesh	Pioneer Flying Academy Pvt. Ltd	MS-10, NH-91, Dhanipur Airport, Post Panethi, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	
34.	Uttar Pradesh	Saraswati Aviation Academy	Sultanpur, Amhat Airfield, Uttar Pradesh	

Source: Directorate General of Civil Aviation

ANNEXURE II

**ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 483
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**LIST OF APPROVED TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS IN INDIA FOR IMPARTING
TYPE SPECIFIC AIRCRAFT TRAINING**

S NO	ATO
1	FSTC India Pvt Ltd, Gurgaon and Hyderabad
2	CSTPL, Greater Noida
3	AGIPL (Airbus India), Gurgaon
4	CTE, AIR INDIA, Mumbai, Hyderabad, New Delhi
5	CAE, Bengaluru
6	AAG Centre for Aviation Training, Chennai
7	HATS-OFF Helicopter Training Pvt Ltd, Bengaluru

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