GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION Rajya Sabha UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1298 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13th March 2023 CANCELLATION OF FLIGHTS DUE TO TECHNICAL

GLITCHES

1298. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI

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

(a) the number of flights which have been cancelled due to technical glitches in the last three years;

(b) the details thereof, airline-wise; and

(c) the steps which have been taken by Government to avoid cancellation/delay in flights?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The details of flights cancelled due to technical reasons as submitted by airlines to Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) is attached at Annexure-I.

DGCA issues the Air Operator Permit (AOP) to the airline on compliance with laid down Civil Aviation Requirements (CARs) which require the airline to have their own maintenance approved organisation or have arrangement with an approved maintenance organisation for maintaining their aircraft in a continuous state of airworthiness. The responsibility for maintaining the aircraft lies with the airline who is required to ensure that aircraft is maintained as per the maintenance programme approved by the DGCA. Airlines / Operators are also responsible for ensuring that the required qualified and experienced manpower, equipment and spares including maintenance data is available for maintaining the aircraft. DGCA ensures that the airline and the maintenance organisation continue to comply with the regulatory requirements against which they have been initially approved through a system of surveillance, audits, spot checks, night surveillance etc. In case of the noncompliances, DGCA ensures that rectification steps are taken by the airlines/ maintenance organisation. DGCA initiates enforcement actions against organisation/ personnel in case violations are found which may include warning, suspension, and cancellation including imposition of financial penalty.

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Annexure-1

Airline	2020	2021	2022	
Air Asia	7	34	13	
Air Deccan	56	0	0	
Air Heritage	13	0	0	
Air India	831	316	122	
Air Taxi	0	14	0	
Akasa Air	0	0	10	
Alliance Air	0	56	166	
Fly Big	0	2	54	
Go First	75	17	12	
Indiaone Air	0	0	0	
Indigo	155	188	613	
Pawan Hans	52	74	0	
Spicejet	104	136	151	
Star Air	9	9	24	
Trujet	153	84	0	
Vistara	10	1	6	
Zoom Air	16	0	0	
Total	1481	931	1171	