

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 2085  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023)**

**TRAINED PILOTS AND JOB PLACEMENTS IN THE AVIATION  
INDUSTRY**

2085. DR. AMAR PATNAIK

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

- (a) total number of trained pilots placed with Indian carriers or with non-scheduled operators as of March 2023
- (b) data on total number of trained pilots that are yet to be accommodated in either of these categories and are still looking for jobs in the aviation sector as of March 2023 for the last five years, year-wise
- (c) whether Government is cognizant of massive gap in employment opportunities for trained pilots and is planning to timely subsume them in the industry before they require license renewal which is a huge financial liability
- (d) if so, details thereof and
- (e) if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

- (a) The total number of pilots employed with Indian carriers is around 10,000 and with non-scheduled operators are around 500 as of March 2023.
- (b) Commercial Pilot License holders are offered employment opportunities with various airlines across the globe. Government does not maintain the year wise data of trained pilots not accommodated with Indian carriers or with non-scheduled operators.
- (c) to (e) The subsuming of trained pilots in aviation industry depends on recruitment policy of airlines and as per their qualifying standards. It also depends on other factors such as financial health and expansion plans of the airline operators.

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