

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1131
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31st July 2023
FLIGHTS FROM PUNJAB AIRPORTS

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

- (a) places where flight facility is available in Punjab;**
- (b) the number of international flights from there and whether there is any policy of Government to increase it in future, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether Government is doing something about national and international flights from the airports of Punjab, like in Delhi as most people in Punjab have to go to Delhi first for some national and international flights; and**
- (d) whether Government is considering making another international airport like the Sri Guru Ramdasji International Airport in Punjab, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The details of airports under the Airports Authority of India (AAI) with schedule flight operations, both domestic and international, in the state of Punjab are enclosed as Annexure.

Airlines plan their international flight schedule on a specific route based on Bilateral Air Services Agreement between India and the other country, market demand and as per their respective policy. Operation of international flights at the airports is decided as per the Bilateral Air Services Agreement.

With the repeal of Air Corporation Act in March 1994, the Indian domestic aviation has been deregulated. Airlines are free to induct capacity with any aircraft type, free to select whatever markets and network they wish to service. It is up to the airline operators to introduce air services to / from any airport in the country depending on their operational and commercial viabilities.

(d): At present no such proposal is under consideration.

ANNEXURE**CURRENT AIR CONNECTIVITY OF AIRPORTS IN PUNJAB STATE**

S. No.	Airport	Airlines operating	Airports connected	No. of schedule aircraft movements (arrival + departure) per week (as per Slot Allocation)
1.	Amritsar (Dom)	Air India, Indigo, Spicejet, Vistara	Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Delhi, Goa, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Patna, Pune, Srinagar	278
	Amritsar (Int'l)	Air India, Air India Express, Indigo, Malindo, Neos S.P.A, Qatar Airways, Scoot airlines, Spicejet	Birmingham, Doha, Dubai, Kuala Lumpur, London Gatwick, Milan, Mumbai, Sharjah, Singapore	98
2.	Chandigarh (Dom)	Air India, Alliance Air, Indigo, Vistara	Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Dharamshala, Goa, Indore, Jaipur, Kolkata, Kullu, Leh, Lucknow, Mumbai, Patna, Pune, Hyderabad, Srinagar	468
3.	Chandigarh (Int'l)	Air India Express, Indigo	Dubai, Sharjah	20
4.	Pathankot	Nil	Nil	Nil
5.	Bathinda	Nil	Nil	Nil
6.	Ludhiana	Nil	Nil	Nil
7.	Adampur	Nil	Nil	Nil