GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION Rajya Sabha UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 672 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2nd December 2024

INCREASE IN BOMB THREAT HOAXES

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

(a) Government is aware of the rising issue of bomb threat hoaxes in airports in recent times list of such incidents if available;

(b) the techniques to screen these threats in a refined and more controlled manner without affecting passengers; and;

(c) whether Government plans to update existing protocols along with technological upgrades being undertaken by Government in this aspect and the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): Yes. A total of 999 hoax bomb threat incidents were reported during January 2024 to 14 November 2024. Month-wise hoax bomb threat incidents reported is annexed. Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, aviation security regulator in the country, has mandated robust protocols for handling such threats. Bomb threat contingency plan (BTCP), a detailed contingency plan, is in place to handle such threats. As a part of BTCP, every airport has a designated Bomb Threat Assessment Committee (BTAC) which analyses the threat and act accordingly.

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ANNEXURE

List of hoax bomb threat incidents reported in 2024

S.	Month	No. of incidents
No.		
1	January	11
2	February	17
3	March	5
4	April	60
5	May	26
6	June	116
7	July	10
8	August	21
9	September	15
10	October	666
11	November	52
	Total	999
