GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha STARRED QUESTION NO.: 80

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28th July 2025

PREVENTION OF BIRD HITS AT KANGRA AIRPORT

80. DR. SIKANDER KUMAR

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

- (a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn towards rising environmental threat to Kangra airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the incidents of increased bird activity significantly heightens the risk of bird strikes that poses serious threats to both aircraft and passenger safety, if so the details of such incidents from last two years at Kangra airport; and
- (d) the proactive measures Government proposes for safety of flight operations in order to mitigate hazards of bird strikes and animals at various airports across the country?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 80 FOR REPLY ON 28.07.2025 REGARDING "PREVENTION OF BIRD HITS AT KANGRA AIRPORT" BY "DR SIKANDER KUMAR"

- (a) to (b): No environment threats have been reported by operating airlines at Kangra Airport.
- (c): 02 Bird/Wildlife strikes were reported at Kangra Airport between 01.07.2023 and 30.06.2025.
- (d): Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has structured regulations and guidelines for management of potential wildlife hazard at licensed airports. Compliance of the regulation and guidance by DGCA is ensured through annual surveillance inspections of the aerodrome.
