

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 2410**

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th August 2025)

**REGULATIONS/STANDARDS SPECIFIED BY DGCA UNDER AIR
CRAFT RULES, 1937**

2410. **SHRI CHANDRAKANT DAMODAR HANDORE**

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

- (a) the regulations/standards specified by Director-General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) under Rule 42A of the Air Craft Rules, 1937;
- (b) the schemes approved by DGCA under Sub-rule 3 of Rule 42A of the Aircraft Rules, 1937; and
- (c) the monthly averages of flight and duty time of crew members of various commercial flight operators in the country during the last one year

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): Every Indian Operator shall establish a scheme of Flight and Duty Time Limitations (FDTL) and minimum rest periods for its flight crew members as well as cabin crew members in accordance with stipulations made by Director General (Civil Aviation) under sub rule (1) of Rule 42(A) of Aircraft Rules, 1937 and

approved in compliance with respective FDTL CAR 7/J/I, CAR 7/J/II, CAR 7/J/III and FDTL 7/J/IV.

The same is thereafter submitted as their Flight and Duty Time Limitations (FDTL) scheme (as a part of their operations manual) to Director General (CA) for the approval and once approved, the FDTL scheme shall form an integral part of the Operations Manual, as mandated under CAR Section 8, Series O, Part VII relating to the preparation of the Operations Manual.

The details of monthly average flying hours, airline and fleet wise, are attached at Annexure I.

Annexure I

Monthly average flying hour's airline and fleet wise:

Operator- Air India

	A320	B777	A350	B787
Pilot	53.2	58.6	52.9	58.7
Co-pilot	46.3	53.1	49.1	57.2

Operator-Indigo

	A320	ATR
Pilot	51.2	55.1
Co-pilot	51.3	55.2

Operator-Air India Express

	A320	ATR
Pilot	55	55
Co-pilot	58	58

Operator-SNV Aviation (Akasa Air)

	B737
Pilot	65.1
Co-pilot	52

Operator-Spice jet

	B737	Q 400
Pilot	62	43
Co-pilot	55	49
