GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 57 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21st July 2025

TECHNICAL REVIEW OR SAFETY AUDIT OF THE AIRCRAFT

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

- (a) whether Government has conducted any technical review or safety audit of the aircraft involved in the recent Air India crash that killed over 240 people, and the key findings thereof;
- (b) whether DGCA has identified any defects in Boeing aircraft operating in the country during the last three years and action taken;
- (c) whether Air India or Boeing officials have been summoned following the accident and the outcome of such meetings; and
- (d) the steps Government is taking to strengthen regulatory oversight of aircraft manufacturing, procurement, and airline maintenance to prevent similar tragedies in the future?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has a structured surveillance and audit framework in place i.e. planned and unplanned surveillance of organisation /aircraft, which includes regular and periodic audits, spot checks, night surveillance and ramp inspections across all operators, maintenance organizations. Deficiencies observed during the surveillance/inspection were forwarded to concerned organisations for taking corrective actions. DGCA initiated enforcement actions against organisation and personnel in case violations found. The enforcement action may

include warning, suspension, cancellation and imposition of financial penalty.

DGCA continuously reviews and updates its surveillance methodology based on risk assessment, operator performance, fleet performance and global best practices such as the guidelines issued by European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Further, DGCA issued General Safety Circular 01 of 2025 on June 19, 2025, titled "Comprehensive Special Audit to Assess the Aviation Ecosystem and Strengthen Aviation Safety Architecture".
