

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
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OPERATION OF AIR INDIA FLIGHTS

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

- (a) the total number of airports functioning in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Air India operate flights from all the operational airports in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to introduce small airplane services for connecting metropolitan cities in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the name of the places/routes identified for the said purpose and the time by which the said services are likely to be functional; and
- (f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for expansion of air services in various parts of the country?

ANSWER

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(a): There are 77 functional airports in the country. The State/UT-wise list is at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): Subject to availability of limited resources, Air India and its subsidiaries presently operate flights to/from 70 airports in the country including Agartala, Agatti Islands, Agra, Ahmedabad, Aizawl, Allahabad, Amritsar, Aurangabad, Bagdogra, Bengaluru, Bhatinda, Bhavnagar, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Bhuj, Calicut, Chandigarh, Chennai, Coimbatore, Dehradun, Delhi, Dharamshala, Dibrugarh, Dimapur, Diu, Gaya, Goa, Gorakhpur (Operations currently suspended), Guwahati, Gwalior, Hubli, Hyderabad, Imphal, Indore, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Jammu, Jamnagar, Jodhpur, Kanpur, Khajuraho, Kochi, Kolkata, Kullu, Leh, Lilabari, Lucknow, Madurai, Mangalore, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pantnagar, Patna, Port Blair, Pune, Raipur, Rajkot, Ranchi, Shillong, Silchar, Srinagar, Surat, Tezpur, Tirupati, Trivandrum, Udaipur, Vadodara, Varanasi, Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam.

(d) to (f): Flight operations in domestic sector have been deregulated and the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDG) issued by the Government. However, it is upto the airline operators to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability.

State Wise Air Connectivity – Winter Schedule 2016

Sl. No.	State	Names of Cities Air linked	No of Airports
States			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Rajamundry, Tirupati, Vijayawada, Vizag, Cuddapah	5
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	
3.	Assam	Dibrugarh, Guwahati, Jorhat, Lilabari, Silchar, Tezpur	6
4.	Bihar	Gaya, Patna	2
5.	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	1
6.	Delhi	Delhi	1
7.	Goa	Goa	1
8.	Gujarat	Ahmedabad, Bhuj, Bhavnagar, Jamnagar, Rajkot, Surat, Vadodara, Porbandar	8
9.	Haryana	-	
10.	Himachal Pradesh	Dharamshala, Kullu	2
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu, Leh, Srinagar	3
12.	Jharkhand	Ranchi	1
13.	Karnataka	Bangalore, Belgaum, Mangalore, Hubli	4
14.	Kerala	Calicut, Cochin, Trivandrum	3
15.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur, Khajuraho	5
16.	Maharashtra	Aurangabad, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune	4
17.	Manipur	Imphal	1
18.	Meghalaya	Shillong	1
19.	Mizoram	Aizwal	1
20.	Nagaland	Dimapur	1
21.	Orissa	Bhubaneswar	1
22.	Punjab	Amritsar, Bhatinda	2
23.	Rajasthan	Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur	3
24.	Sikkim	-	
25.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai, Coimbatore, Madurai, Trichy, Tuticorin	5
26.	Telangana	Hyderabad	1
27.	Tripura	Agartala	1
28.	Uttar Pradesh	Agra, Allahabad, Gorakhpur, Lucknow, Varanasi, Kanpur	6
29.	Uttaranchal	Dehradun, Pant Nagar	2
30.	West Bengal	Bagdogra, Kolkata	2
Union Territories			
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Port Blair	1
2.	Lakshadweep Islands	Agatti	1
3.	Chandigarh	Chandigarh	1
4.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	-	
5.	Daman & Diu	Diu	1
Number of cities connected by Scheduled domestic carriers			77