

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4120
(To be answered on the 10th August 2017)**

INCREASE IN NUMBER OF AIR PASSENGERS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the number of air passengers in Jharkhand is increasing every year;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to augment the air services in view of the increasing number of air passengers in Jharkhand;
- (d) whether 100 per cent growth in the passenger and cargo movement have been registered at Aurangabad airport of Maharashtra during the last five years, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Air India operates only one single flight from the Aurangabad airport, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to increase the numbers of flights in the said sector and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) & (b): Ranchi is presently the only operational airport with scheduled commercial flight operations in Jharkhand. Ranchi airport handled 1.04 million passengers during 2016-17, registering growth rate of 40.0% during 2016-17 over 2015-16 and has Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 26.1% during last three years.

(c): Airlines plan their flight schedule on a specific route/cities based on market demand, commercial feasibility and their company policy.

(d): No Madam. Aurangabad Airport witnessed highest growth rate in passenger traffic i.e 8.7% during 2012-13 over 2011-12 and highest cargo traffic growth rate of 48.3% was witnessed during 2014-15 over 2013 14.

Total passenger and cargo movement witnessed growth rate of 8.6% and 2.1% respectively during 2016-17 over 2015-16.

Total passenger and freight traffic at Aurangabad Airport witnessed Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of (-)6.1% and 11.2% respectively during last five years. Year-wise growth rate for the passenger and cargo during the last five years is given in Annexure-I.

(e): Presently, Air India is operating two flights per day from Aurangabad Airport.
(f): With repeal of Air Corporation Act in March 1994, the Indian aviation sector was deregulated. Airlines are free to induct capacity with any aircraft type, free to select whatever markets and network they wish to service and operate. Government has however, laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDGs) with a view to achieve better connectivity of air transport services of different regions of the country. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of RDGs issued by Government.

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Aurangabad Airport Passenger and Cargo Traffic Growth during 2011-12 to 2016-17

YEAR	PASSENGER (IN MILLION)	GROWTH RATE (%)	CARGO (IN MT)	GROWTH RATE (%)
2011-12	0.40	-	1227	-
2012-13	0.44	8.7	724	-41.0
2013-14	0.45	2.0	843	16.4
2014-15	0.43	-4.7	1250	48.3
2015-16	0.30	-29.5	1406	12.5
2016-17	0.33	8.6	1436	2.1
Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) During				
2011-12 to 2016-17		-6.1		11.2

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Coulter Counter Data			
Sample	Count	Volume (ml)	Concentration (cells/ml)
1	100	0.1	1000
2	200	0.2	1000
3	300	0.3	1000
4	400	0.4	1000
5	500	0.5	1000
6	600	0.6	1000
7	700	0.7	1000
8	800	0.8	1000
9	900	0.9	1000
10	1000	1.0	1000
11	1100	1.1	1000
12	1200	1.2	1000
13	1300	1.3	1000
14	1400	1.4	1000
15	1500	1.5	1000
16	1600	1.6	1000
17	1700	1.7	1000
18	1800	1.8	1000
19	1900	1.9	1000
20	2000	2.0	1000
21	2100	2.1	1000
22	2200	2.2	1000
23	2300	2.3	1000
24	2400	2.4	1000
25	2500	2.5	1000
26	2600	2.6	1000
27	2700	2.7	1000
28	2800	2.8	1000
29	2900	2.9	1000
30	3000	3.0	1000
31	3100	3.1	1000
32	3200	3.2	1000
33	3300	3.3	1000
34	3400	3.4	1000
35	3500	3.5	1000
36	3600	3.6	1000
37	3700	3.7	1000
38	3800	3.8	1000
39	3900	3.9	1000
40	4000	4.0	1000
41	4100	4.1	1000
42	4200	4.2	1000
43	4300	4.3	1000
44	4400	4.4	1000
45	4500	4.5	1000
46	4600	4.6	1000
47	4700	4.7	1000
48	4800	4.8	1000
49	4900	4.9	1000
50	5000	5.0	1000
51	5100	5.1	1000
52	5200	5.2	1000
53	5300	5.3	1000
54	5400	5.4	1000
55	5500	5.5	1000
56	5600	5.6	1000
57	5700	5.7	1000
58	5800	5.8	1000
59	5900	5.9	1000
60	6000	6.0	1000
61	6100	6.1	1000
62	6200	6.2	1000
63	6300	6.3	1000
64	6400	6.4	1000
65	6500	6.5	1000
66	6600	6.6	1000
67	6700	6.7	1000
68	6800	6.8	1000
69	6900	6.9	1000
70	7000	7.0	1000
71	7100	7.1	1000
72	7200	7.2	1000
73	7300	7.3	1000
74	7400	7.4	1000
75	7500	7.5	1000
76	7600	7.6	1000
77	7700	7.7	1000
78	7800	7.8	1000
79	7900	7.9	1000
80	8000	8.0	1000
81	8100	8.1	1000
82	8200	8.2	1000
83	8300	8.3	1000
84	8400	8.4	1000
85	8500	8.5	1000
86	8600	8.6	1000
87	8700	8.7	1000
88	8800	8.8	1000
89	8900	8.9	1000
90	9000	9.0	1000
91	9100	9.1	1000
92	9200	9.2	1000
93	9300	9.3	1000
94	9400	9.4	1000
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