

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1413  
(To be answered on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018)**

**GROWTH RATE OF AIR PASSENGERS AT AIRPORTS**

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

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**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the yearly growth rate of air passengers in the country;  
(b) whether Air India is in financial crisis despite impressive increase in number of air passengers, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;  
(c) whether the number of air passengers in the country has gone up to more than 10 crore which is higher than railway passengers travelling in AC coaches and if so, the details thereof; and  
(d) whether the number of air passengers would increase further as the Government intends to set up more airports in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

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**(Shri Jayant Sinha)**

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- (a): The details of yearly growth rate of air passengers in the country are given at Annexure.  
(b): Air India Limited has been posting net losses for the past many years. However, there has been a gradual improvement in the operational performance of the company in terms of the increase in the number of passengers carried which has also resulted into small operating profits for the company during 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. The year-wise details are given at Annexure.  
(c)&(d): No such analysis has been carried out by this Ministry. However, the details of number of air passengers in last five years are given at Annexure.

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**Part (a)**

Growth in Air Passenger in the country during the last five years

(GROWTH IN %)

YEAR	Yearly growth in Total Domestic Air passengers (Over Year to Year )	Yearly growth in total international Air passenger (Over year to year)	Yearly growth in Total Air passengers (Over Year to Year )
2013-14	4.8	6.9	5.7
2014-15	15.5	6.1	11.6
2015-16	21.5	8.9	16.6
2016-17	21.8	9.8	17.4
2017-18(P)	18.9	10.8	16.1

**Part (b)**

Year-wise details of Air India's performance.

(in Crores)

Particulars	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
No of Revenue Passengers (Millions)	15.43	16.88	18.00	19.10
Operating Profit/(Loss)	(3977.89)	(2636.19)	105.00	298.02
Net Profit/(Loss) after Tax	(6279.60)	(5859.91)	(3836.77)	(5765.11)

**Part (c) & (d)**

Air passengers in the country during the last five years

(In Crores)

YEAR	Domestic passenger	International passenger	Total passenger (Domestic+ international )
2013-14	6.1	4.3	10.4
2014-15	7.0	4.6	11.6
2015-16	8.5	5.0	13.5
2016-17	10.4	5.5	15.8
2017-18(P)	12.3	6.1	18.4

P: Provisional