

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 560
(To be answered on the 13th December 2018)**

AIR INDIA INCIDENT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether an Air India Express plane flew four hours with a ruptured belly;
(b) whether this flight was damaged when it hit the boundary wall of the airport during take off;
(c) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation has ordered any investigation into this tragedy; and
(d) if so, the findings thereon?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

a) to d) On 12.10.2018, M/s Air India Express B737 aircraft VT-AYD was involved in an accident while takeoff from Trichy Airport. The aircraft was operating flight AXB611 (Trichy-Dubai).

During takeoff from RWY27, the landing gear and belly of the aircraft hit the localizer antenna and upper part of the aerodrome boundary wall. As a result the portion of the boundary wall got broken and the ILS localizer antenna damaged. The aircraft flew in damaged condition for approximately 4hrs 20 min and landed safely at Mumbai.

The occurrence has been treated as an accident and is being investigated by Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB).
