GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Lok Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1994

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14th December 2023)

CIVIL AVIATION TRAINING CENTRES

1994. MS. NUSSRAT JAHAN Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the average cost of Aviation Training in the country, Government and Private Training Centrewise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to expand aviation training in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the criteria laid down by the Government to set up new aviation training institutes and the details of infrastructure required therefor; and
- (d) the number of pilots trained during the last three years in the country?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) The aviation courses, particularly the flying training course for getting a Commercial Pilot License (CPL) are highly technical.;

Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) approves Flying Training Organizations (FTOs) as per laid down rules and regulations. DGCA does not regulate the financial aspects of obtaining CPLs by students from FTOs. The cost of training for obtaining Commercial Pilot License (CPL) is regulated by the FTOs.;

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The courses along with their costs provided by Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) and Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University (RGNAU) is at Annexure 1.;

- (b) Steps taken by government to expand aviation training in the country are as follows:-;
- (i) Currently there are 34 Flying Training Organisations (FTOs) operating at 55 bases as approved by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA).
- (ii) In order to augment the supply of trained pilots in the country, the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has brought out a liberalised Flying Training Organisation (FTO) policy whereby the concept of airport royalty (revenue share payment by FTOs to AAI) has been abolished and land rentals have been significantly rationalised.
- (iii) In 2021 and 2022, after two rounds of competitive bidding process, AAI awarded fifteen FTO slots at ten airports in Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu.
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- (c) The details of criteria prescribed including the basic infrastructure facilities required for setting up a new Flying Training Organization (FTO) are laid down under Rules 41B of the Aircraft Rules and Civil Aviaion requirements Section 7, Series D, part I.
- (d) The total number of Commercial Pilot Licenses (CPL) issued by DGCA during last 03 years is as mentioned below-

| Year | Total Commercial Pilot; Licenses(CPL) Issued | |
|-------------|---|--|
| | | |
| 2021 | 862 | |
| 2022 | 1165 | |
| 2023 | 1491 | |
| (Till 30.11 | .2023) | |

ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1994 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 14.12.2023

INDIRA GANDHI RASHTRIYA URAN AKADEMI (IGRUA)

| S.No | Programme/Course Name | Course Fees |
|------|---|--|
| 1. | Commercial Pilot License (CPL) Training | Rs. 45.00 Lakhs |
| 2. | English Language Proficiency (ELP) Training and Testing | (i) For IGRUA students:- Rs. 45000/- (ii) For non-IGRUA students:- Rs 45000/- +18% GST (iii) For only ELP testing of outside students:- Rs. 10000/-+18% GST |
| 3. | Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (AME) School | Rs. 4.60 Lakhs |

Source: IGRUA

RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL AVIATION UNIVERSITY (RGNAU)

| S.No | Programme/Course Name | Course Fees |
|------|---|----------------|
| 1. | Post Graduate Diploma in Airport Operations | Rs 3,28,500/- |
| 2. | Bachelor of Management Studies in Aviation | Rs. 2,50,000/- |
| | Services and Air Cargo | |
| 3. | Basic Fire Fighters Course | Rs. 2,95,000/- |

Source: RGNAU