

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3068
(To be answered on the 12th March 2020)**

PASSENGER GROWTH

3068. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the passenger growth has increased to 11 per cent in the month of November, 2019;
- (b) whether India has sufficient aircrafts to shoulder the passenger growth in the country; and
- (c) whether the shutting down of operation by some private airlines has led to a negative growth of 4.5 per cent for the first time in recent history and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) to (c): Details of the passenger growth as submitted by the Scheduled Indian Carriers to Directorate General of Civil Aviation for November 2019 are attached as annexure-I.

The airlines have been continuously inducting aircraft to support the traffic growth in the country. The Available Seat Kilometer (ASKM) and Revenue Passenger Kilometer (RPKM) in Scheduled domestic services by Indian airlines for last three years is attached as annexure-II.

Due to suspension of operation by M/s Jet Airways (India) Limited, there was a reduction in capacity in the domestic sectors for some time. However, to mitigate the impact of reduction in capacity, the domestic slots vacated by Jet Airways, starting from April 2019 have been allocated on ad-hoc basis to other Indian carriers. Subsequently, some of the domestic airlines started inducting more aircraft in their fleet which

resulted in capacity increase on the domestic sectors. However, as per information made available by Scheduled Indian Carriers, details regarding the year on year growth in the numbers of air passengers carried by Indian Scheduled airlines in Scheduled domestic services is attached as annexure-III.

Statement regarding the details of the passenger growth, referred to in the reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 3068 to be answered on 12-03-2020

Month	2018-19	2019-20(P)	Growth (%)
NOVEMBER	11606526	12910135	11.2
P- Provisional			

Annexure-II

Statement regarding the details of Available Seat Kilometer (ASKM) and Revenue Passenger Kilometer (RPKM) in Scheduled domestic services by Indian airlines for last three years, referred to in the reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 3068 to be answered on 12-03-2020

FY	PAX	RPKM (In Thousand)	ASKM (In Thousand)
2016-17	103748598	98641199	116944847
2017-18	123315916	117041707	134541200
2018-19(P)	140333572	134881037	156783807
P-Provisional			

Annexure-III

Statement regarding the details of year on year growth in the numbers of air passengers carried by Indian Scheduled airlines, referred to in the reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 3068 to be answered on 12-03-2020

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
JAN	22.7	0.0	8.6	-4.3	0.2	22.8	22.6	25.3	19.9	8.9
FEB	16.1	17.8	11.0	-3.5	1.1	22.9	24.3	15.8	24.4	5.6
MAR	23.3	24.2	0.9	5.8	2.1	20.0	25.3	15.0	28.2	0.1
APR	27.2	11.2	8.7	-0.1	4.6	24.6	20.8	15.2	26.1	-4.4
MAY	22.2	14.5	-1.3	4.8	5.7	19.5	21.5	17.6	16.6	2.8
JUNE	21.7	18.3	-3.8	-2.3	13.8	17.1	20.8	20.2	18.4	6.2
JULY	13.9	22.9	-10.6	7.8	8.7	29.8	25.6	12.5	22.3	1.8
AUG	9.3	19.4	-8.8	20.5	9.9	18.5	24.0	15.7	17.1	3.9
SEP	11.4	17.4	-13.0	13.9	29.1	14.5	23.5	16.5	19.0	1.1
OCT	16.3	16.6	-15.4	9.7	19.3	18.8	23.3	20.6	13.3	4.0
NOV	24.9	11.0	-7.2	2.2	15.3	24.7	22.7	16.9	11.0	11.2
DEC	15.9	8.2	-4.3	3.3	16.5	19.7	24.0	17.8	12.9	2.6

* Figures for April, 2019 to December, 2019 is provisional.