## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2846 (To be answered on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021)

## INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE SERVICE

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to operate International Airline Services (IAS) completely and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the percentage of IAS started operation at present;
- (c) the countries that are continuously keeping ban on IAS; and
- (d) the total loss of aviation sector due to this pandemic situation till date?

## **ANSWER**

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION जागर विमानन मंत्रातय में राज्य मंत्री (GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

- (a) In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in India, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has suspended operations of scheduled international commercial passenger services to/from India till 31.08.2021. However, international flights under Vande Bharat Mission (including air bubbles) are operational.
- (b) As on 30.07.2021, there is a drop of 80-85% in the total number of flights operating to/from India as compared to pre-covid levels.
- (c) Presently, Canada and Bangladesh have temporarily suspended flights from India under the air bubble arrangement.
- (d) The financial loss of Indian carriers during FY 2020-21 is approximately INR 19,000 crore. The financial loss of Indian airports during FY 2020-21 is approximately INR 3,400 crore.

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