

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2901
(To be answered on the 5th August 2021)**

INCREASE IN FOOTFALL AT DELHI AIRPORT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the increasing footfall at Delhi Airport and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to increase the passenger handling capacity of Delhi airport to reduce long waiting and inconvenience to passengers and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to enhance domestic and international flights frequency to and from Delhi Airport?**

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a): The passenger traffic has been increasing continuously at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), Delhi till the financial year (FY) 2020. In the FY 2020, approx. 67.3 million passengers travelled through Delhi airport as compared to approx. 16.2 million passengers in the year 2006.

(b) & (c): In line with the increasing passenger demand over the recent past (prior to COVID), IGI Airport implemented technological improvements at its passenger terminals as well as undertook various interventions on airside to increase the terminal and airside capacities. Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) is also undertaking airport expansion project which includes expansion of Terminal 1, laying of new Runway, expansion of Terminal 3 etc. The developments will be undertaken in a phased manner as per the Master Plan so that additional capacities are available in time for catering to the future traffic growth. With the completion of Phase 3A, the passenger handling capacity of IGIA, Delhi would be 100 million passengers per annum. Besides, Delhi airport was connected with 96 destinations operated by 55 airlines in FY2006, which increased to 149 destinations with 65 airlines in FY 2020.
