GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
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COMMERCIAL PILOT TRAINING CENTRES

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

(a) the number of training centers in the country, especially in Karnataka, where commercial pilot training facility is available;
(b) whether the Government proposes to introduce commercial pilot training facility in any university or qualified centers approved by DGCA as well and if so, the details of such centers;
(c) whether there is any project for commercial pilot training centre under consideration by the Government; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(a) At present, there are 34 Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) approved Flying Training Organizations (FTOs) in the country out of which two FTOs, Government Flying Training School, Jakkur, Bangalore and Orient Flight Aviation Academy, Mysore are in Karnataka. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has issued award letters on 31 May 2021 for establishing two FTOs each at Belagavi and Kalaburagi in Karnataka.

(b) Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) is the only FTO under the administrative control of the Central Government. Pilot training facilities are largely operated by private entities. DGCA approves the pilot training
facilities as per the laid down regulations. At present, there is no proposal to start any new pilot training facility by the Central Government.

(c) & (d) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has issued award letters on 31 May 2021 and 29 October 2021 for nine FTOs to be established at five airports at Belagavi (Karnataka), Jalgaon (Maharashtra), Kalaburagi (Karnataka), Khajuraho (Madhya Pradesh) and Lilabari (Assam). Soft launch of two FTOs at Kalabuargi was done on 15 August 2021.

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