GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.: 59 (To be answered on the 25th July 2024)

CANCELLATION OF FLIGHTS IN GULF SECTOR

*59. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the problems being faced by Indian Expatriates and their families due to sudden cancellation of many flights during the last several months in Gulf sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether a number of flights have been cancelled from Gulf sector to Airports in Kerala during last three months and if so, the number of such flights along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the policies/guidelines of the Government in this regard; and
- (d) whether such incidents would be controlled by rules and regulations, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

(Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION 59 FOR REPLY ON 25.07.2024 REGARDING "CANCELLATION OF FLIGHTS IN GULF SECTOR" ASKED BY SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN.

(a) to (d): Flights cancellations from airports including airports in Kerala to the Gulf sector occasionally occur due to weather, technical, operational and miscellaneous reasons. A total of 861 flights (which is around 4% of total number of flights) were cancelled to/from Calicut, Kannur, Cochin and Thiruvananthapuram Airports during the last three months i.e. April to June, 2024.

In order to ensure appropriate protection of air travelers in case of flight disruption and in particular, flight cancellation and delays without due notice to the passengers booked on the flight, DGCA has issued Civil aviation Requirement (CAR), Section-3- Air Transport,-Series-M Part-IV on "Facilities to be provided to passengers by airlines due to denied boarding, cancellation of flights and delays in flights".
