GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2899 (To be answered on the 12th December 2024)

DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION SECTOR

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION लागर विमालल मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is true that India may need to rely on other nations to meet its growing civil aviation needs if proactive measures aren't taken; and(b) if so, the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to support the aviation sector?

ANSWER

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(a) & (b) The Government has taken several proactive measures to boost the Indian civil aviation sector which include:

i. The National Civil Aviation Policy, 2016 seeks to provide a conducive ecosystem for overall growth of the Indian aviation sector in a harmonised manner that includes growth of all its sub-sectors.

ii. The Government had announced a set of policy provisions for broad-based development of aircraft MRO in India. There are many incentives /rebates like Exempted Customs Duty, Simplified clearance processing, land allotment etc. that have been provided under the NCAP-2016 for development of MRO sector in India. The Government announced new MRO guidelines on September 1, 2021, with a promise to provide land allotments for MROs in Airports Authority of India-operated airports.

iii. Government has reduced the taxes (IGST) on imports of aircraft components and aircraft engine parts to 5% from the earlier rates which were from 5% to 28%. Also, the period for export of goods imported for repairs has been extended from six months to one year and the time-limit for reimport of goods for repairs under warranty has been extended from three to five years.

iv. Government of India (GoI) has accorded 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of 21 new Greenfield Airports. Out of these, 12 Greenfield airports viz.

Durgapur, Shirdi, Kannur, Pakyong, Kalaburagi, Orvakal (Kurnool), Sindhudurg, Kushinagar, Itanagar, Mopa, Shivamogga and Hirasar (Rajkot) have been operationalised.

v. Central Ĝovernment has notified the Drone Rules, 2021 on 25th August, 2021 with subsequent amendments made from time to time

vi. In order to augment the supply of trained pilots in the country, the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has brought out a liberalised Flying Training Organisation (FTO) policy whereby the concept of airport royalty (revenue share payment by FTOs to AAI) has been abolished and land rentals have been significantly rationalised.

vii.A conducive aircraft leasing and financing environment has been enabled through Budget incentives for India's lone International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in GIFT CITY.
