

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3996  
(To be answered on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024)**

**FIRE ACCIDENTS AT AIRPORTS**

**3996. SHRI V K SREEKANDAN**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has issued a safety advisory expressing concern over the recent increase in fire accidents at airport buildings and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also true that the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has urged all employees to scrupulously follow the SOP set for the said purpose and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that many fire accidents were preventable if proper safety measures were put in place; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

**(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)**

---

**(a): The Airports Authority of India (AAI) regularly issues instructions to promote fire safety awareness in order to minimize the fire-related incidents at airports, in accordance with the guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs from time to time during Fire Service Weeks.**

**(b) to (d): The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), the aviation safety regulator, publishes Civil Aviation Requirements (CARs) for ensuring safety of the airports. DGCA CAR Section 4, Series B, Part 1, Paragraph 9.2, issued in August 2015 and related amendments, specify the provision of rescue and firefighting services at licensed aerodromes to save lives in the event of aircraft accidents or incidents occurring at, or in the immediate vicinity of an aerodrome. It also requires the fire stations at aerodromes, to be suitably located and equipped with rescue and firefighting equipment.**

**Compliance with these safety requirements is monitored by DGCA through annual surveillance inspections and spot checks at licensed aerodromes.**

\*\*\*\*\*