GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Lok Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 906 (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th July 2025)

STATUS OF INVESTIGATION INTO BOEING 787 DREAMLINER CRASH

906. KM. SUDHA R SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the status of the investigation into the Boeing 787 Dreamliner crash at Ahmedabad;
- (b) whether sabotage is suspected in the incident and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of decoding the information stored in the Black Box of the ill-fated aircraft;
- (d) whether the Black Box of the crashed aircraft has been sent abroad for decoding or assessment and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government considers the possibility of tampering or interference by the aircraft manufacturer (Boeing) in case the Black Box is assessed abroad;
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the measures being taken to ensure the integrity and transparency of the investigation;
- (g) the number of Boeing 787 aircraft currently in operation by various airlines in the country and the current safety evaluation status of these aircraft; and
- (h) whether the Government has taken up the matter with Boeing and if so, the details and the response of Boeing thereto?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (h): An investigation has been ordered by the Director General, Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) under Rule 11 of the Aircraft (Investigation of Accidents & Incidents) Rules, 2017 to determine the probable cause(s)/contributory factor(s) leading to accident of Air India flight AI-171 at Ahmedabad on 12.06.2025.;

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A preliminary report on the accident has been published by AAIB on 12th July, 2025 and is available on their website www.aaib.gov.in.;

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Every aspect is being looked into for determining the probable cause(s)/contributory factor(s) leading to the accident.;

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The Flight Recorders of VT-ANB aircraft have not been sent abroad. The data from one of the Flight Recorders of VT-ANB has been downloaded in the Flight Recorder Laboratory of the AAIB at Udaan Bhawan, New Delhi.;

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There are 33 Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft in the fleet of Indian Carriers. Out of which, 31 operational aircraft have been inspected wherein minor findings were observed in 8 aircraft. These aircraft have been released for operation post rectification. The remaining 2 aircraft are under scheduled maintenance.;
