GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 3000

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18th December 2025)

INCIDENTS OF LASER LIGHTS AT AIRCRAFTS

3000. SHRI ROBERT BRUCE C SHRI MURASOLI S Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details and list of incidents reported at airports where laser lights were directed at airplanes during the last five years, airport-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for post-incident notification and identification of the source of such laser lights; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a): List of Laser incidents reported at airports is attached as Annexure A.;
- (b) & (c): Rule 66 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937 regulates the exhibition of false lights, including laser lights, in the vicinity of aerodromes where such lights may endanger the safety of aircraft or interfere with visual aids for navigation. Further, para 5.3.1.2 of DGCA CAR Section 4, Series B, Part I prescribes requirements for protecting aircraft operations against the hazardous effects of laser emitters around airports, including the establishment of protected zones to mitigate risks arising from laser emissions. Further, Standards Operating Procedures are defined in Aerodrome Manual of concerned aerodrome to control activity of laser emission around airports.

Annexure A

Details of Laser Incidents reported at airports

S. No.	Airport / Place of occurrence	Year wise Laser Interference Incidents						
		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		
1.	Ahmedabad	0	0	0	10	17		
2.	Bengaluru	0	0	0	10	1		
3.	Chennai	0	0	0	67	54		
4.	Delhi	0	0	2	113	105		
5.	Hyderabad	0	0	0	63	41		
6.	Jaipur	0	3	6	40	56		
7.	Kolkata	0	0	0	72	44		
8.	Lucknow	0	0	6	23	26		
9.	Mysore	0	0	0	3	2		
10.	Trivandrum	0	0	0	15	7		
11.	Vadodara	0	0	0	1	2		
12.	Varanasi	0	0	0	9	10		
13.	Aurangabad	0	0	0	2	2		
14.	Mumbai	0	0	0	18	33		
15.	Bhopal	0	0	0	8	16		
16.	Nagpur	0	0	0	1	2		
17.	Surat	0	0	0	6	4		
18.	Agartala	0	0	0	8	17		
19.	Bhubaneshwar	0	0	1	1	1		
20.	Kolkata FIR	0	0	0	5	8		
21.	Patna	0	0	0	9	11		
22.	Naini-Saini Airport,Pittoragarh	0	0	0	5	0		
23.	Vishakhapatnam	0	0	0	4	0		
24.	Coimbatore	0	0	0	8	8		
25.	Cochin	0	0	0	4	11		
26.	Calicut	0	0	0	14	8		
27.	Madurai	0	0	0	6	4		
28.	Rajahmundry	0	0	0	1	3		
29.	Tiruchirapalli	0	0	0	5	2		
30.	Tirupati	0	0	0	2	3		
31.	Dehradun	0	0	1	0	0		
32.	Amritsar	0	0	0	0	1		
33.	Guwahati	0	0	0	6	1		
34.	Indore	0	0	0	0	1		
35.	Udaipur	0	0	0	0	1		
36.	Durgapur	0	0	0	0	1		
37.	Imphal	0	0	0	0	1		
38.	Jharsuguda	0	0	0	0	1		

39.	Lucknow AFS	0	0	0	0	8
40.	Vijayawada	0	0	0	0	5
41.	Kalaburagi	0	0	0	0	3
42.	Kannur	0	0	0	0	2
43.	Mangalore	0	0	0	9	11
	TOTAL	0	3	16	548	534
