

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. : 178

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30th July 2026)

RISING PRICES OF AVIATION TURBINE FUEL

178. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA
SHRI SATISH KUMAR GAUTAM

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide relief to the airlines in view of the rising prices of Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) globally and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the projected financial implications of such measures on airport operators and other concerned stakeholders; and

(c) the criteria or parameters adopted by the Government for determining the nature and extent of relief measures to be provided to domestic airlines?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 178 FOR REPLY ON 30.07.2026 REGARDING 'RISING PRICES OF AVIATION TURBINE FUEL' ASKED BY SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA AND SHRI SATISH KUMAR GAUTAM.

(a) to (c): The Government in consultation with stakeholders has taken several measures to support the aviation sector and help keep air travel affordable, which include:

- (i) For domestic operations, ATF prices were capped at a maximum increase of 25% over the 1 March 2026 base price, effective from 1 April 2026 for the months of April and May 2026,
- (ii) Partial deferment of airport landing and parking charges for domestic operations at major airports along with a 25% rebate in such charges at Airports Authority of India (AAI) airports,
- (iii) Approval of ECLGS 5.0 with a total corpus of Rs. 18,100 crore, including Rs. 5,000 crore earmarked for Indian airlines, to provide liquidity support,
- (iv) Reduction of Value Added Tax (VAT) on ATF at Delhi (from 25% to 7%) and at Maharashtra (from 18% to 7%) for 6 months.

Further, the Government has approved a one-time ATF Price Stabilisation Fund (PSF) Scheme with a budgetary support not exceeding Rs. 10,000 crore as a contingency measure in response to the exceptional surge in international ATF prices arising from the West Asia crisis, with the objective of protecting domestic airlines and ensuring operational stability.
