

Apprehension of pilot famine in the Indian Airlines

4110. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the country is fast heading for a serious pilot-drain, causing virtual pilot famine, especially in The Indian Airlines, as reported in the Hindustan Times of August 11, 1988;

(b) if so, what is the requirement and availability of different types of pilots in the Indian Airlines, Air India and Vayudoot;

(c) what is the number of pilots who have shifted from Indian Airlines, Air India and Vayudoot, if any, during the last three years to various foreign airlines; and

(d) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) :
(a) No, Sir.

(b) The requirement and availability of pilots by Indian Airlines, Air India and Vayudoot is as follows :—

(i) By 1989-90, Indian Airlines would need 654 pilots as against the existing strength of 470 pilots.

(ii) At present the requirement of pilot of Air India is 324 as against 288 pilots working.

Information in respect of Vayudoot is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) In so far as Indian Airlines is concerned, during the last 3 years, two pilots have resigned from the Corporation. It is not known whether these pilots have joined foreign Airlines. As regards Air India, 2 pilots have joined foreign airlines during the last three years. None of the Vayudoot pilots has shifted to any foreign airlines.

(d) Airlines and the Government do not visualise any mass exodus of pilots to foreign airlines.

Bookstalls at Delhi Stations

4111. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAM-RAO PATIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the stations in Delhi where Book stall facilities have been provided with the names of contractors; and

(b) what are the names of those stations in Delhi Division for which applications for allotment of Bookstalls were called for and decision is still pending?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) A statement is attached (See below).

(b) Tilak Bridge, Deoband, Karnal, Narwana, Khatauli and Mansa.

Statement

Names of Stations on Delhi Division having Bookstall facilities	Name of Contractor
1	2
	S/Shri
Bahadurgarh	Sudhir Arora
Kurukshetra	Smt. Kamlesh Rani
Sonepat	Shri Randhir Singh
Panipat	Anil Kumar Chawla

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Rontak	Vikrant Sharma & Co.
Muzzafarnagar	Harish Kumar
Ganaur	Ashok Kumar
Delhi Shahdara	S. Veer & Co.
Delhi Subzimandi	R.D. Bimal & Co.
Delhi Main	A.H. Wheeler & Co. Sarv Sewa Sangh Parkashan
Ghaziabad	A.H. Wheeler & Co.
Minto Bridge	K.P. Prince & Co.
New Delhi	Geeta Press M/s. M.S. Pankaj & Co. M/s. Sarv Sewa Sangh Parkashan
Hazrat Nizamuddin	N.C. Jain & Sons
Delhi Kishan Ganj	M. Bhumiya ji
Meerut City	Jai Chand
Meerut Cantt.	Bhajan Lal
Modinagar	Sanjay Diwan
Jakhai	Des Raj

Awarding of Bookstall Contracts

4112. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMA-
RAO PATIL: Will the Minister of
RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any policy for awarding of Book stall contracts to second contractor except Sarvodaya & Geeta Press at the stations/platforms where contractor already exist, other than those platforms which were constructed on or after 1st January, 1976;

(b) if so, what are the details of stations where second bookstall contractors have been appointed; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) to (c) Due to existence of "Sole Selling Rights" clause in the agreement with the contractor at certain stations, bookstall contracts cannot be given to any other person/firm excepting philanthropic non-profit making organisations like Sarvodaya and Geeta Press at the stations.