1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2010-11						
NB	4522.92	278.85	15447.07	10808.05	70.0	4.18
WB	5920.9	657.71	30160.8	19360.3	64.2	3.06
Total	10443.8	936.56	45607.8	30168.4	66.4	3.46

## Connectivity of airlines for smaller cities and towns

## 958. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is re-working capacity distribution norms for airlines to ensure better connectivity for smaller cities and towns especially in Tamil Nadu like Coimbatore, Trichy, Madurai; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof and what are the steps taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) To ensure air connectivity to smaller cities and towns, Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines wherein it has been made mandatory for the airlines to deploy certain minimum percentage of ASKM deployed on Trunk Routes onto smaller cities and towns. There are no separate distribution norms specially for Tamil Nadu.

A Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Shri Rohit Nandan has examined the present Route Dispersal Guidelines and suggested measures to ensure better connectivity for smaller cities and towns. The Committee has recommended revision of Route Dispersal Guidelines. The report of the Committee has been placed on the website of the Ministry inviting comments of stake holders. Comments received from various organizations are under examination.

## Fraud in flying schools

959. DR. JANARDHAN WAGMARE:

SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI N. BALAGANGA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of large scale fraud by several flying schools across the country;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has recently suspended some officials of his department who were having alleged nexus with the flying schools and had led to a loss of Rs. 190 crore to the national exchequer;