

Increase in airlines passengers

180. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the demand for air travel continues to be high as airlines reported over 18 per cent jump in passengers traffic in June, 2018;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that domestic passengers increased to 11.32 million in June, 2018 as compared with 9.56 million in June, 2017; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAYANT SINHA): (a) and (b) All airports taken together in India handled 22.28 million domestic passengers (sum of embarked and disembarked passengers) in June 2018 as compared to 18.92 million domestic passengers in June 2017, registering a growth of about 18 percent. Month-wise domestic passengers handled during June-October 2018 *vis-a-vis* June-October 2017 (in million) is given as under:

Month	2018	2017	% Change
June	22.28	18.92	17.8%
July	22.94	18.86	21.6%
August	22.34	19.12	16.9%
September	22.26	18.86	18.0%
October	23.25	20.56	13.1%

(c) and (d) All airports taken together in India handled 11.08 million embarked domestic passengers in June 2018 as compared to 9.48 million embarked domestic passengers in June 2017, registering a growth of 16.9 percent.

Proposal for clearance of new airport terminal at Vijayawada

181. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) when was the proposal submitted for the Environment, Forest and Climate Change clearance of new terminal at Vijayawada with an estimated cost of ₹ 500 crores;