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35.	Bangalore	Mysore	Alliance Air	07 June 2019
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		Legend	Total 174 Routes.	

<sup>•</sup> DoNER Routes in North East sector

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## Augmenting sale of domestic air tickets

 $\dagger 473.$  SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is seriously considering to augment the sale of domestic air tickets;
  - (b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this direction till now; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) to (c) Airfare regulation was dispensed with the repeal of Air Corporation Act in March, 1994. Under the provision of Sub Rule (1) of Rule 135 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, every air transport undertaking engaged in scheduled air services require to establish tariff having regard to all relevant factors, including cost of operation, characteristic of services, reasonable profit and the general prevailing tariff. The fare so established are required to be displayed by airlines on their respective websites. The airlines are compliant to the regulatory provision as long as fare charged by them is in line with fare displayed on their website. Due to suspension of operation of Jet Airways and grounding of Boeing B737 Max, there was a reduction in capacity in few domestic sectors. With a view to maintain transparency, as advised by Ministry, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) started monitoring of airfares on certain routes selected on random basis to ensure that the airlines do not charge airfares outside the range declared by them. During monitoring, it was observed that though there was a marginal hike in airfares, it remained within the fare brackets established. Subsequently, some of the domestic airlines started inducting more aircrafts in their fleets which resulted in an increase in the capacity on the domestic sectors as a result of which fares are observed to be fairly normalized at present.

<sup>•</sup> Tourism Routes

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.