

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 965
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th February 2021
ALLIANCE AIR

965. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Alliance Air is the largest domestic airline operating flights on various routes;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) how did the airline perform revenue-wise during 2019-20 as it was a loss-making unit of Air India since its inception in 1996; and**
- (d) whether some effective measures have been taken to reduce the operating cost to make the airline profitable?**

ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c): The total revenue of Alliance Air has increased by 21% from Rs. 821.61 crore in FY 2018-19 to Rs. 993.03 crore in the FY 2019-20. Alliance Air has made an operational profit for the first time in the Financial Year 2019-20.

(d): Alliance Air has taken various measures to reduce the operating cost which include rationalization of pay and allowances of employees, reduction in staff movements, leave without pay scheme and renegotiation of contracts for various services with vendors. Alliance Air has also negotiated with lessors to secure cuts in lease rentals.

Further, Alliance Air has also taken steps to increase the revenue which include introduction of new routes, deployment of more resources on Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) and commercial routes and increase in cargo movement carrying medical equipment and vaccine across the country.
