GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 3214 (TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th March 2021)

NIGHT LANDING FACILITY AT PRAYAGRAJ AIRPORT

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that air travel from New Delhi to Prayagraj (Allahabad) is in crisis due to the apathy of Government;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that due to the lack of landing facilities in Prayagraj (Allahabad) at night air services are having an adverse impact;
- (c) whether Government has any proposal under consideration to provide landing facilities to the aircraft at night in Prayagraj (Allahabad); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

- (a): As per Winter Schedule 2020, Indigo and Alliance Air are already operating scheduled flights on Delhi-Allahabad sector.
- (b) to (d): Prayagraj airport belongs to the Indian Air Force under Ministry of Defence and Airports Authority of India (AAI) maintains a Civil Enclave (Terminal Building) at this airport. AAI has provided Instrument Landing System-CAT-I and Doppler Very High Frequency Omni Range (DVOR)/Distance Measuring Instrument (DME) landing facilities at the airport for flight operations. The present watch hours at Prayagraj airport are from sunrise to sunset. No airline has requested for any slot to operate flights beyond watch hours from the airport.
