

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
Rajya Sabha  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2409  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17th March 2021  
DOMESTIC CARGO HANDLING**

**2409. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY**

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

- (a) the details of domestic cargo handled by civil aviation sector during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise;**
- (b) the annual growth of domestic cargo handling in the last five years, year-wise and State-wise;**
- (c) the details of international domestic cargo handling growth and how India's growth can be compared with domestic cargo handling in other countries;**
- (d) whether any incentives/concessions sought in the pre-Budget discussion with the Finance Ministry; and**
- (e) if so, whether they have been accepted and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b): The State-wise domestic cargo handled during the last five years on financial year basis along with the respective annual growth rates are given at tabular statement attached herewith at Annex-I.**

**(c): According to the Annual World Airport Traffic Report 2020 published by the Airports Council International (ACI), India stands at fourth position in the world in terms of domestic air freight handled. The comparison of India with the top-10 domestic freight countries in the calendar year 2019 over 2018 is given in the tabular statement attached herewith at Annex-II.**

**(d) and (e): Besides the pre-Budget consultations held by the Ministry of Finance across various stakeholders, the Ministry of Civil Aviation had also proposed tax-related changes concerning the civil aviation sector. All suggestions were carefully considered by the Ministry of Finance while preparing the Budget 2021-22, and a number of positive measures for mobilisation of resources and strengthening the aviation industry in India along with promotion of Aatmanirbharta were announced in the Union Budget 2021-22 which included the following:**

**(i) incentivising aircraft leasing and financing from International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in India through a tax holiday for capital gains incomes of aircraft leasing company, tax exemptions for aircraft lease rental paid to foreign lessor, tax incentive for re-location of foreign funds in IFSC, and tax exemptions to investment division of the foreign banks located in IFSC,**

**(ii) customs duty reduction from 2.5% to 0% for aviation sector components and parts, including engines, for manufacture of aircraft by public sector units of Ministry of Defence,**

**(iii) asset monetisation of tier-2 and tier-3 airports of Airports Authority of India, and**

**(iv) disinvestment of Air India and Pawan Hans Limited.**

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												ANNEX - I
STATE WISE DOMESTIC FREIGHT HANDLED (in Thousand MT) ALONGWITH WITH GROWTH RATE												
STATE	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	% Growth 2019-20 over 2018-19	% Growth 2018-19 over 2017-18	% Growth 2017-18 over 2016-17	% Growth 2016-17 over 2015- 16	% Growth 2015- 16 over 2014- 15	CAGR Last Five Year (2019- 20 to 2014- 15)
A & N ISLAND	6.31	6.16	5.68	4.66	3.84	3.0	2.4%	8.4%	22.1%	21.2%	26.1%	15.7
ANDHRA PRADESH	7.20	5.67	4.87	4.71	2.94	1.3	26.8%	16.5%	3.4%	60.3%	134.6%	41.8
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASSAM	22.97	25.57	23.58	18.20	16.47	11.2	-10.2%	8.4%	29.5%	10.6%	46.9%	15.4
BIHAR	12.25	11.44	6.88	6.59	4.41	5.2	7.1%	66.2%	4.4%	49.3%	-15.1%	18.7
CHANDIGARH	8.94	5.05	5.65	5.70	4.56	5.1	77.0%	-10.6%	-0.8%	25.0%	-10.0%	12.0
CHHATISHGARH	6.31	5.00	4.09	4.56	4.35	4.0	26.0%	22.2%	-10.3%	4.8%	10.2%	9.8
DAMAN & DIU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
DELHI	352.69	390.98	311.61	298.36	295.11	271.8	-9.8%	25.5%	4.4%	1.1%	8.6%	5.4
GOA	4.40	2.72	2.88	2.94	3.38	3.3	61.3%	-5.5%	-1.9%	-13.1%	2.8%	6.0
GUJARAT	65.28	60.45	53.21	48.85	46.74	44.2	8.0%	13.6%	8.9%	4.5%	5.8%	8.1
HARYANA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
JAMMU & KASHMIR	8.30	9.97	9.03	7.12	7.08	7.5	-16.7%	10.4%	26.7%	0.7%	-6.1%	1.9
JHARKHAND	5.87	5.27	4.66	4.65	4.00	3.4	11.3%	13.1%	0.2%	16.4%	17.2%	11.5
KARNATAKA	151.63	144.65	128.99	120.37	115.02	113.0	4.8%	12.1%	7.2%	4.7%	1.8%	6.1
KERALA	16.05	16.04	12.87	16.22	13.40	12.6	0.0%	24.6%	-20.6%	21.0%	6.5%	5.0

LAKSHDWEEP ISLAND	0.08	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.0	162.1%	123.1%	550.0%	0.0%	-33.3%	90.9
LADAKH	1.93	1.70	1.62	1.67	1.44	1.3	13.6%	4.5%	-2.6%	15.5%	7.7%	7.5
MADHYA PRADESH	11.61	13.48	12.05	8.59	8.15	7.3	-13.8%	11.9%	40.2%	5.5%	12.3%	9.9
MAHARASHTRA	330.17	344.79	308.97	278.10	248.51	242.4	-4.2%	11.6%	11.1%	11.9%	2.5%	6.4
MANIPUR	7.86	6.31	4.31	4.72	4.27	4.5	24.5%	46.6%	-8.8%	10.6%	-4.5%	12.0
MEGHALAYA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
MIZORAM	0.41	0.53	0.75	0.73	0.29	0.3	-21.3%	-29.6%	2.2%	155.2%	7.5%	9.2
NAGALAND	0.37	0.47	0.57	0.40	0.20	0.2	-20.3%	-17.6%	42.5%	96.1%	16.7%	16.4
ORISSA Total	10.01	9.65	7.84	8.24	7.00	6.0	3.8%	23.1%	-4.8%	17.7%	17.7%	11.0
PONDICHERY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
PUNJAB	0.98	0.75	0.61	0.38	0.22	0.3	31.7%	21.3%	61.2%	70.1%	-28.2%	25.7
RAJASTHAN	15.19	14.93	12.85	13.54	7.98	2.6	1.8%	16.2%	-5.1%	69.7%	208.0%	42.4
SIKKIM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
TAMILNADU	92.87	107.93	116.91	101.29	92.57	90.0	-14.0%	-7.7%	15.4%	9.4%	2.9%	0.6
TELANGANA	61.41	60.17	54.96	52.94	50.46	43.9	2.1%	9.5%	3.8%	4.9%	15.0%	7.0
TRIPURA	4.66	5.20	5.32	6.06	5.46	5.7	-10.3%	-2.4%	-12.1%	11.0%	-4.0%	-3.9
UTTAR PRADESH	15.47	6.14	4.52	3.39	3.26	4.1	152.1%	35.7%	33.5%	4.0%	-19.8%	30.7
UTTRAKHAND	0.17	0.23	0.22	0.27	0.09	0.0	-24.7%	5.5%	-18.3%	185.1%	118.6%	32.3
WEST BENGAL	104.12	100.47	107.54	99.96	95.70	91.1	3.6%	-6.6%	7.6%	4.4%	5.0%	2.7
Total	1325.51	1361.71	1213.06	1123.18	1046.88	985.0	-2.7%	12.3%	8.0%	7.3%	6.3%	6.1

Source:AAI

## TOP 10 DOMESTIC FREIGHT COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD

(In thousand Metric tons)

World Rank	Country	2019 (Calendar Year)	2018 (Calendar Year)	% change in 2019 over 2018
1	United States	20429	19985	2.2%
2	China	7356	7114	3.4%
3	Japan	1564	1646	-5.0%
<b>4</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>1357</b>	<b>1329</b>	<b>2.1%</b>
5	Indonesia	709	937	-24.3%
6	Brazil	674	663	1.7%
7	Canada	608	607	0.2%
8	Philippines	603	629	-4.1%
9	Vietnam	531	546	-2.7%
10	Russian Federation	411	416	-1.2%

*Source: 2020 ACI World Airport Traffic Report*