

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 12
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3rd February 2025)

**BOMB THREAT CALLS TO VARIOUS AIRLINES ACROSS THE
COUNTRY**

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

(a) the total number of bomb threat calls have been made to various airlines across the country during 2024, airline-wise break-up and financial loss incurred by airlines;

(b) the action that has been taken by Government and details of persons arrested or persons/entities against whom action is being taken; and

(c) whether Government has formulated any effective plan to curtail such threat calls as well as to identify and punish the culprits involved, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): As per Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, aviation security regulator in the country, a total of 728 hoax bomb threats have been received by Airline Operators in 2024. The details of such threat messages received by airlines in 2024 is attached as Annexure-A. Total 13 persons have been arrested in 2024 in connection with hoax bomb threats. Bureau of Civil Aviation Security has mandated robust protocols for handling such threats. Bomb Threat Contingency Plan (BTCP), a detailed contingency plan, is in place to handle such threats. As a part of BTCP, every airport has a designated Bomb Threat Assessment Committee (BTAC) which analyses the threat and act accordingly. In order to deal with hoax bomb threats, BCAS has issued advisories to all the Civil Aviation stakeholders in the country to ensure streamlined security measures and to prevent any unlawful interference with civil aviation.

Airline wise data of Bomb threat in 2024		
Year	Airline	Total
2024	Indigo	216
	Air India	179
	Vistara	153
	Akasa	72
	Spicejet	35
	Alliance Air	26
	Air India Express	19
	Star Air	14
	Emirates	5
	air Arabia	3
	Aeroflot	1
	Air canada	1
	Cathay pacific	1
	Etihad	1
	Nok Air	1
	Thai Lion Air	1
	Total	728