

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:883
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SECURITY AND SAFETY OF FLIGHTS FROM KATHMANDU
GANTA SRINIVASA RAO

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have resumed its IC 814 flight to Kathmandu;
- (b) if so, whether any agreement has been arrived at between the two countries to ensure the security and safety of the flights taking off from Kathmandu;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c): Indian Airlines have reached an understanding with the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal regarding measures for ensuring security of Indian Airlines flights taking off from Kathmandu. These include:

- i) Access control to the aircraft on the ground by Indian Airlines.
- ii) Ladder-point frisking of passengers and their hand baggage on a specially enclosed platform by Indian Airlines.
- iii) Secondary X-Ray screening of checked baggage in the baggage make-up area.

(d): Does not arise.