

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UNIFORMITY IN AIR FARES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce uniform fare rates for the flights being operated from Thiruvananthapuram, Cochin and Kozhikode airports of Kerala plying to the same international and domestic destinations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a),(b)and(c):- Government does not propose to interfere in the existing procedure of determination of air fares, which are decided unanimously by all participating airlines at the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Tariff Co-ordination Conferences so far as international sectors are concerned. On domestic sectors also all airline operators are free to charge fares based on their cost input and the competitive market environment. On both sectors, market dynamics and product features like frequency, timing, seasonality etc. also influence air fares.