

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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CHEAPER AIR TRAVEL

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government commissioned the Delhi based National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER) to find out ways of making air travel cheaper;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the NCAER has submitted the report to the Government;
- (d) if so, the recommendations made by NCAER;
- (e) the response of the Government thereto;
- (f) whether the Government propose to lower the air tariff in order to make air travel cheaper;and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e), (f) and (g): Government has decided to entrust a study to the National Council for Applied Economic Research to undertake a detailed economic analysis of the domestic aviation sector with a view to evaluate its affordability, viability and growth potential.