

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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INTRODUCTION OF INTER ISLAND HELICOPTER SERVICES .  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Lakshadweep Administration for introduction of inter-island helicopter service;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a),(b) and (c):- Pawan Hans Helicopter Ltd.(PHHL) has leased one Dauphin helicopter since February, 1988 to Lakshadweep Administration for utilizing the helicopter as per their requirement. A proposal has also been received from Lakshadweep Administration for deployment of a second Dauphin helicopter on long term lease basis for emergency purposes including maintenance of law and order. PHHL has in- principle agreed to provide the same at the earliest possible.