

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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EXPENDITURE ON TRAINEES  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the expenditure involved in training of one pilot; and
- (b) the steps to reduce this expenditure to enable a common man to become a pilot?

**Answer**

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

(a):-The expenditure in training of one pilot by a training institute is in the range of approximately Rs. 15-30 lakhs, and depends on type and number of trainer aircraft and other infrastructural facilities provided by them.

(b):- Government of India and some State Governments are providing Grants - in - Aid and fund support to an extent to flying training organisations, which subsidises the training cost. Trainer aircraft are also provided by the Government to the flying training organisations through Directorate General of Civil Aviation and Aero Club of India. Some scholarships are available to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe cadets and some scholarship are granted to the students on the basis of merit. In addition, Banks also extend loan facilities to students.