

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1382  
ANSWERED ON:16.07.2004  
MISSING GOLD BAR FROM PALAM AIRPORT  
Baitha Shri Kailash

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

- (a) whether 25 Kg. gold bars belonging to the State Bank of India were found missing recently from the Palam Airport Cargo;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the outcome of the investigations made by the Government into the missing gold bars stating whether any connivance of the Cargo Officials has been found; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): SBI Overseas Branch, Mumbai had booked two parcels for Delhi weighing 51 Kgs. containing gold bars under Consignment Note No. 39527493. The parcels were consigned to M/s. Group 4 Securitas, Cash Services, Delhi. The parcels were sent from Mumbai to Delhi by flight IC-658 of 7th May, 2004. One of the parcels weighing 25.4 Kgs. was found missing at IGI Airport, New Delhi.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): FIR in the matter has been lodged with police. Indian Airlines also conducted a preliminary enquiry in the matter and based on its report two staff were placed under suspension. Further departmental proceedings are under process.