

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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TECHNICAL SNAGS IN SRINAGAR DELHI FLIGHT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any recent instance of faulty air-conditioning and non-functional auxiliary units in Air India's Airbus A-320 thereby causing inconvenience to the passengers of Srinagar-Delhi flight;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has ordered an inquiry into the incident and if so, the details thereof along with its findings; and

(d) the measures taken or being taken by Air India to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri G. M. Siddeshwara)

(a)and (b): Yes, Madam, Air India flight AI-1822 (Srinagar-Jammu-Delhi) operated on 27th June, 2014 by A-320 aircraft VT-EPG had unserviceable Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) due to which air-conditioning was not available on ground. Also, out of the two air-conditioning units available on aircraft, one unit developed a snag. However, the second unit was functioning and air-conditioning was available during the flight. As per manufacturer guidelines, one air-conditioning unit is sufficient for safe aircraft operation. On arrival at Delhi, the faulty air-conditioning unit and auxiliary unit were repaired.

(c); No, Madam. Such technical snag are handled by the airline itself

(d); Each defect/delay is analysed and investigated on daily basis by Maintenance and Quality Department of Air India and corrective actions as recommended are taken.