

## India to employ 1 lac more people in aviation sector

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Dhaka: The Ministry of Civil Aviation of India, on August 8, said it is likely to employ 1 lac people directly in the country's aviation sector in the next two years.

According to figures stated by MoCA, the current direct employment number stands at 2,50,000 which includes pilots, cabin crew, engineer, technicians, airport staff, ground handling, cargo, retail, security, administrative and sales staff.

"Conservative estimates show that the current direct employment in the aviation and aeronautical manufacturing sector is around 2,50,000 employees. This is expected to increase to around 3,50,000 by 2024," said reports citing the MoCA.

The ministry said the ratio of indirect to direct jobs in aviation is around 4:8.

"To cater to the expected traffic growth, the fleet size of Indian carriers is expected to grow substantially which would require an additional... around

10,000 pilots during the next five years," it added.

Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on August 7 said the country's aviation sector is poised for phenomenal and healthy growth in terms of passengers, aircraft and airports, with the number of air travellers projected to touch 40 crore by 2027.

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