

Severe turbulence hits Singapore-London BA flight, air hostess needs surgery

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Dhaka: A British Airways flight from Singapore to London was forced to return when it ran into severe turbulence at 30,000 feet in the air, leaving an air hostess needing surgery.

As per reports, the BA flight 12 from Singapore Changi to London Heathrow Airport on June 16 encountered severe turbulence over the Bay of Bengal, injuring five flight attendants.

Reports cited sources saying, "From nowhere, the plane was shaking as it suddenly dropped five feet and rose again in uncomfortable jerked motions. There were screams from the passengers and great upset spread through the cabins."

Data showed the Boeing 777 had been in the air for almost three hours when it turned around.

Reports claimed, one flight attendant required surgery on her ankle from injuries sustained on the flight.

A British Airways representative, according to reports, said, "Safety is always our priority and we're looking after our crew after one of our flights experienced a rare episode of severe turbulence. Our highly trained team on board reassured customers and the aircraft returned to Singapore as a precaution."

"We've apologised to customers for the delay to their flight and provided them with hotel accommodation and information on their consumer rights. We are rebooking customers onto the next available flights with us and other airlines."

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