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Subject: Refueling of aircraft.

Investigation into recent private category aircraft accident has revealed that pilot requested ATCO to inform IOC for fuel upliftment which was accepted and Oil Company was accordingly informed. This practice is prevalent at almost all non-metro airports.

Investigations revealed that at no point of time Owner/Operator informed Oil Company for type/grade, quantity of fuel. The aircraft met with accident as wrong type/grade of fuel was uplifted which remain undetected before take off.

To prevent recurrence of similar accidents, it is decided that henceforth ATCO shall not accept any request for arranging fuelling of aircraft from pilot/owner. Oil Companies shall obtain written request from pilot/owner about type/grade and quantity of fuel required. Aircraft shall be refueled only in the presence of AME/Pilot/Other DGCA approved person.

This is for strict compliance.

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