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Subject: Precautions to be Observed by Operators / Pilots during Helicopter Operations to Temporary / Regular use Helipads.

1. Helicopter accidents in the recent past at temporary / regular use helipads have been found to be attributable to the following:-

(a) Gross negligence displayed by the operators / pilots in the selection of the helipad site. This was found to be related to obstructions in the near vicinity of the helipad and in the take-off and approach funnels, such as power lines, tall trees etc.

(b) The overloading of the helicopter for the present / predicted ambient conditions.

(c) Incorrect assessment of the suitability of the helipad surface for safe operations, such as dust or debris / loose articles etc.

2. All operators / pilots including pilots operating State Govt and Private Category helicopters are hereby directed to ensure that the provisions as contained in CARs Section 4, Series B, Part II and Part V on temporary / regular use helipads respectively, are strictly adhered to. Any violation shall be viewed seriously.

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