Section C

Student Pilot’s Licence (Microlight Aircraft)

1. Requirements for the issue of Licence— An applicant for a Student Pilot’s Licence (Microlight Aircraft) shall satisfy the following requirements:

(a) Age— He shall be not less than sixteen years of age on the date of application.

(b) Educational Qualification— He shall have passed Class Ten Examination or its equivalent examination from a recognised Board.

(c) Medical Fitness— He shall produce on a prescribed proforma a certificate of Physical fitness from an approved medical practitioner after undergoing a medical examination, during which he shall have established his medical fitness on the basis of compliance with the requirements as notified by the Director-General under Rule 39B.

(d) Knowledge— He shall pass oral examination in Air Regulation, Air Navigation, Aviation Meteorology and Aircraft and Engines as per the syllabus prescribed by the Director-General, unless he holds a valid pilot’s licence of a higher category, or is able to produce evidence in the manner prescribed by the Director-General that he is well-versed with the aforesaid subjects.

(e) Security Clearance— Security clearance for the Student Pilot/Pilot will be obtained from the concerned State Police authorities by the Flying Club/Government Flying Training School before commencement of flying training and furnished to the Director-General.

2. Validity— The period of validity shall commence from the date of issue or renewal of the licence. The licence shall be valid for a period as specified in Rule 39C. The licence shall lapse on the holder obtaining a Pilot’s Licence (Microlight aircraft).

3. Renewal— The licence may be renewed for a period not exceeding twelve months from the date of fresh medical examination as specified in para 1(c) subject to the total validity of the licence not exceeding twenty four months from the date of issue of the licence.

4. Aircraft Rating— The licence shall indicate the class and the types of microlight aircraft, the holder is entitled to fly. Only those types of microlight aircraft may be entered in respect of which the candidate has furnished the proof of his having thoroughly familiarised himself with the flight controls, speed profiles, systems, engines and limitations of the aircraft with an Examiner, Flight Instructor or a Pilot authorised by the Director-General.

5. Privileges— Subject to the validity of aircraft rating in the licence, and compliance with relevant provisions of Rules 39B, 39C and 42, the privileges of the holder of a Student Pilot’s
Licence (Microlight) shall be to fly within the Indian territory only, as Pilot in Command of any microlight aircraft entered in the aircraft rating of his licence:

Provided that:-

(a) he shall fly at all times under the authority and supervision of a flight Instructor or an Examiner approved by the Director-General.

(b) he shall fly under visual Flight Rules only.

(c) he shall not carry passengers, animals and goods or fly for hire, reward or remuneration of any kind;

(d) a pilot who has not been exempted from the provisions of Clause (c) of paragraph-1, shall not undertake cross-country flights unless he has a minimum of ten hours of solo flight time on microlight aircraft and has passed the examinations in Air Navigation and Aviation Meteorology.

Note— The student Pilot’s Licence shall be issued by a Flying Club/Government Flying Training School specifically authorised in this regard and subject to the conditions as laid down by the Director-General.