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S. NO.	LINK	FACT OF THE CASES	CITATION	FORUM	CASE NO.	DATE OF JUDGEME NT	JUDGEMENT WITH THEME
1.	http://164.100.72.12/ ncdrcrep/judgement/ 00140421085111630 rp13972014.htm	The brief facts of the case are that the respondents/complainants entered into an Agreement dated 18.10.2012. As per agreement, the processing fee will be 100% refundable if work provided by petitioners/opposite parties is not to the satisfaction of the respondents. The petitioners had given an assurance of salary of MR-1200 to 1500. The total cost for work permit is Rs.1.5 lakhs per member which includes the work permit for two years with food, accommodation, insurance and air fare. That in the meantime, respondents inquired from their sources that the petitioners are authorized by the Ministry of Labour to provide permits. On 13th December, petitioners informed the respondents that their visa was confirmed and their flight was booked for 26.12.2012 for that they have to deposit the balance amount with Rajan Verma, MD of the firm. When the respondents approached Rajan Verma, he stated that there were some difficulties in getting the work permit so they would have to go on a tourist visa and same would be converted into a work visa within 15 to 30 days by their employee Ms.Shradhya Dass, who will accompany them to Malaysia. On the assurance given by Rajan Verma, they paid a sum of Rs.90,000./- as part payment through cheque no.40887 dated 13.12.2012 drawn on SBI, Sector 41, Branch, Chandigarh and the same was cleared by the petitioners from their Bank and balance amount was to be paid at the time when the work permit was provided by the petitioners. On 26.12.2012, they took a flight to Kuala Lumpur along with	SMT. REENA PANDEY & ANR. (Complainant/ Petitioner) versus M/S GANGA IMMIGRATION & EDUCATION SERVICES PVT. LTD. & ANR. (Respondent) M/S GANGA IMMIGRATION & EDUCATION SERVICES PVT. LTD. & ANR. (Appellant/Petition er) versus SMT. REENA PANDEY & ANR. (Respondent)	DISTRICT FORUM	COMPLA INT NO. FIRST APPEAL NO.515/2 013	09.12.2013	On sufficient evidence of deficiency in service and unfair trade practice on the part of OPs., Allowed the complaint with the directions (i) To make payment of an amount of Rs.1,40,000/- paid by the complainants to them plus an amount of Rs.40,000/- spent by them at Malaysia total Rs.1,80,000/ (ii) To make payment of an amount of Rs.50,000/- to the complainants for harassment and mental agony. (iii) To make payment of an amount of Rs.11,000/- to the complainants towards litigation expenses. The liability of the Ops shall be joint and several Appeal being devoid of merits, Upheld the order of the District Forum on the same ground.

	Ms. Shradhya and two other male members. The tickets of Malaysia Airlines were provided by petitioners and same were return ticket according to which the departure was from Delhi and the arrival at Mumbai. The respondents had exchanged the money through Paul Merchants. The respondent no.1 exchanged Rs.28,410/- into MR and the respondent no.2 had exchanged Rs.28,281/ The respondents when they reached Kuala Lumpur were asked by Ms. Shradhya, who accompanied the respondents to pay Rs.50/- MR as room rent whereas the accommodation was to be provided free of cost by petitioners. On 27.12.2012, she introduced them to one Mr. Rahul Negi, who took their passport for getting the work permits. They were roaming around the city with their luggage. In the evening they had to stay in a room on the 5th floor with two other guys in the same room. It was very embarrassing for both of them as they had been promised for separate accommodation. On next day in the evening, they were put on work in a courier company in night shift. The respondent no.1 was given a job of data entry operator and other two	M/S GANGA IMMIGRATION & EDUCATION SERVICES PVT. LTD. & ANR. (Petitioner/ Complainant) versus SMT. REENA PANDEY & ANR. (Respondent)	NCDRC	REVISIO N PETITIO N NO. 1397 OF 2014 WITH (I.A.NO. 1682 OF 2014, FOR STAY	01/04/2014	Present revision petition is hereby, dismissed with costs of Rs.1, 00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only). Out of the above costs, Rs.25, 000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each be paid by way of demand draft in the name of respondent No.1 and 2 respectively. The remaining cost of Rs.50, 000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) to be deposited in the 'Consumer Legal Aid Account' of this Commission, within four weeks from today. In case, petitioners fail to deposit the said cost within the prescribed period, then they shall also be liable to pay interest @ 9% p.a., till realization.
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	guys along with respondent no.2 were forced					
	to do labour work, whereas, it was promised					
	by the petitioners that they would give jobs as					
	per their qualifications and experience.					
	Moreover, all facilities like free					
	accommodation, food, medical insurance and					
	overtime which was promised by the					
	petitioners was given to them. Besides all					
	this, the respondents were forced to do labour					
	work on a very cheap salary. When they					
	asked for separate accommodation the agent					
	told that they would have to pay 700 MR for					
	that. When they refused to work as labourers					
	the agent asked them to vacate the room					

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	immediately in the night. They had to stay in		
	a hotel since that night i.e. 27.12.2012 to		
	9.1.2013 in Jalan Sultan, 25 k.m. away from		
	Shah Alam and they spent 80 MR on taxi to		
	reach that place. In the morning of 28th Dec.		
	when they asked Rajan Verma and Rahul		
	Negi to give back their passports Ms.		
	Shradhya warned them that they can't go		
	back to India and that they would have to		
	work there whatsoever be the conditions or		
	job. Otherwise they would have to pay US		
'	Dollars 500 each. Then they lodged a		
'	complaint with police. They had spent at least		
	Rs.40,000/- there for accommodation, food,		
	as well as for transportation. The respondents		
	had in all by now had spent Rs.1,40,000/- i.e.		
	amounts paid to the petitioners and		
'	Rs.40,000/- they spent during their stay in		
	Malaysia for accommodation, food as well as		
	for transportation. The respondents then made		
	up their mind to come back to India as their		
	condition was humiliating and miserable as		
	their funds were insufficient and food		
	accommodation and transportation were very		
	costly, but petitioner's agents denied to give		
	back their passport so they had to approach		
	the Indian High Commission who issued them		
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	emergency certificate dated 3.1.2013 on which they travelled back to Mumbai as the		
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	return ticket was of Mumbai. The		
	respondents on returning back to India		
	approached the petitioners to pay back their		
	amount but he tried to make fool of the		
	respondents and delaying the matter on one		
	pretext or the other, but on the other hand, he		
	continued to expand his business by giving		
	advertisements in the HT classified dated		
	13.4.2013 for staff required. On the wrong		
	and fake commitments of the petitioners, the		
	respondents had to leave their job which they		

2.	http://164.100.72.12/ ncdrcrep/judgement/ 00140527150409860 RP266812.htm	were doing here in India and were still unemployed as such the respondents had suffered a huge loss and also sold their jewellery and motor cycle to settle abroad. The act of omission and commission on the part of the petitioners amounts to deficiency in service and unfair trade practice. The petitioners should have put to exemplary cost so that they cannot exploit the conditions of the unemployed youth. Brief facts of the case are that complainants/respondents travelled from Mumbai to Goa on 14.3.2009 by OP/petitioner by Flight No. IC/613. Complainant No. 1 was about 76 years of age so, wheelchair was requested. An attendant came with wheelchair. Complainant No. 1 was being wheeled by the said attendant, the right hand arm rest of the wheel chair gave way and the complainant no. 1 had a fall on the ground and suffered fracture around her right hip joint. Airport Medical Doctor attended her and she was admitted to SMRC hospital, but as complainant preferred to go to Grace Cardiac Care Hospital, she was taken their by ambulance. She was discharged from hospital on 28.3.2009 and was advised physiotherapy from 30.3.2009 to 29.5.2009, which she underwent. Complainant asked OP to reimburse Rs.1,03,671.75 as medical avages and Rs 4.00 000/	Mrs. Maria Easter d'Abreau Noronha & Anr (Complainant/ Petitioner Versus. Airlines/Air India) (respondent) Mrs. Maria Easter d'Abreau Noronha & Anr. (Appellant/Petition er) Versus The M.D., Indian Airlines/Air India (Respondent) The M.D., Indian	DISTRICT FORUM SCDRC GOA	Complain t no. Appeal no. 02/2012 Revision Petition no.	03.05.2012 27th May, 2014	Alleging deficiency on the part of OP, complainant filed complaint before District forum. District Forum allowed the complaint relying upon the alleged deficiency in service on the part of OP and ordered the OP to pay Rs. 79, 629/- as hospitalization charges. State Consumer Dispute Redressal Commission (SCDRC) in first appeal no.02/2012 allowed the appeal and ordered the management to pay by enhancing compensation from Rs.25, 000/- to Rs.2, 00,000/- relying upon the alleged deficiency in service on the part of OP. National Consumer Dispute Redressal Commission (NCDRC) in revision
		Grace Cardiac Care Hospital, she was taken their by ambulance. She was discharged from hospital on 28.3.2009 and was advised physiotherapy from 30.3.2009 to 29.5.2009, which she underwent. Complainant asked OP	Airlines/Air India (Respondent) The M.D., Indian	NCDRC		- · ·	enhancing compensation from Rs.25, 000/- to Rs.2, 00,000/- relying upon the alleged deficiency in service on the part of OP. National Consumer Dispute

3.	http://164.100.72.12/ ncdrcrep/judgement/ 00140825112046893 RP39732013.htm	further submitted that as per complainant's advice, she was taken to Grace Cardiac Care Hospital at Margao in an ambulance along with airport officers and attendant and prayed for dismissal of complaint. Brief facts of the case are that the respondent/complainant Dr. Surendra Nath Rana Patgiri filed a complaint No. 46/98 before the District Forum, Dibrugarh against the then Sahara India Airlines, alleging that he purchased three tickets for the flight of Sahara India Airlines for travelling from Dibrugarh to Guwahati to attend the cremation of his father, who died on 2 07 08 He purchased the tickets for himself	Dr.Surendra Nath Rana Patdiri (Complainant) versus Jet Lite (India) Ltd. & Anr. (Respondent)	District Foum Dibrugarh	Complain t case no.46/98	23.8.2002	The District Forum allowed the consumer complaint and ordered the OPs to pay a sum of `_1 lakh as compensation for mental agony and harassment plus refund of `_4,103/- as air fare along with interest @10% p.a.
		2.07.98. He purchased the tickets for himself, his wife and his son for a total sum of ` 4,103/ The complainant and his family reported to the Sahara India Airlines airport counter at Dibrugarh airport on 02.07.98 to board the flight. The boarding cards for his family were issued by the Airlines and seat nos. 15D, 15E and 15F were allocated to them. After undergoing the necessary security check, the complainant and his family were waiting to board the aircraft. The said flight was to go from Dibrugarh to Guwahati and then to Delhi. However, when the flight was about to leave Dibrugarh Airport for Guwahati and Delhi, the Airlines authorities announced that they would not carry the passengers bound for Guwahati due to some operational reasons. However, they permitted the Delhi-bound passengers to fly to Delhi via Guwahati. The complainants requested the airlines authorities to allow his family to fly to Guwahati as a special case, because he was to perform certain rituals for cremation of his father but the Airlines did not accept his request. The complainant and his family were forced to hire a taxi from	Jet lite (India) Ltd. & Anr. (Appellant) Versus Dr. Surendra Nath Rana Patgiri (Respondent)	SCDRC Assam	First appeal no.87/200 2	27.9.2010	The State Commission passed the following order on 31.05.2010:- "Parties are absent. As per insistence of the respondent this pending matter was taken up after a long gap of almost 8 years for which fresh notices were required to be issued to the appellant. The appeal was filed in the year 2002 in the name of Sahara India Airlines which has been subsequently merged with Jet Airlines. Notices issued to the Sahara Office at Dibrugarh and Delhi have been returned by the postal department with endorsement "left from the addresses". In view of that a newspaper publicity may be issued from the office by quoting the appeal number and the name of the appellant or the substituted company/Airlines which have taken over Sahara India Airlines to appear on the next date failing which

		Dibrugah for his village but he could not reach in time as the dead body of his father had already been cremated. On the other hand, the said flight of Sahara Airlines duly landed at Guwahati Airport and took passengers from Guwahati to Delhi. The complainant filed the consumer complaint in question claiming a total compensation of ` 4,84,953/- including the taxi fare and air fare for three tickets. In their reply filed before the District Forum, the OP submitted that the passengers from Dibrugarh to Guwahati were not allowed to board the aircraft due to some technical snag because the anti-skid system of the aircraft had become in operational and hence the aircraft could not carry load beyond a certain limit. The denial of such boarding was neither intentional nor deliberate but it was because of unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances.	Jet lite ( India) Ltd. & Anr. (Petitioner) Versus Dr. Surendra Nath Rana Patgiri (Respondent)	NCDRC	Revision Petition no. 3973/2013	25.8.2014	the appeal will be liable for dismissal and the stay granted against the arrest of warrant will also be vacated. Such notice may be issued in two daily English newspapers and one in vernacular paper. the State Commission passed the impugned order dated 27.09.2010 and stated as follows:- "Learned counsel for the respondent is present. The appellant is absent without steps. As per our order dated 31.05.2010 legal notice was issued to the appellant through "The Assam Tribune" on 14.07.2010 copy of which is placed in the records. The publications in other two newspapers are not yet received. However, after publication of the notice in the Assam Tribune the appellant has not responded. This revision petition is allowed and the order dated 27.09.2010 passed by the State Commission is set aside. The case is remanded back to the State Commission for a fresh decision. Both the parties are directed to appear before the State Commission on 15.10.2014 for hearing of the appeal on merits.
4.	http://164.100.72.12/ ncdrcrep/judgement/ 00140825112046893 RP39732013.htm	Brief facts of the case are that the respondent/complainant Dr. Surendra Nath Rana Patgiri filed a complaint No. 46/98 before the District Forum, Dibrugarh against	Dr. surendra nath rana patgiri ( complainant) versus Jet lite( india) ltd. (respondent)	DISTRICT FORUM Dibrugarh	Complain ant case no.46/98	22/12/1998	The District Forum allowed the said consumer complaint vide their order dated 23.08.2002 and ordered the OPs to pay a

the then Sahara India Airlines, alleging that he purchased three tickets for the flight of Sahara India Airlines for travelling from Dibrugarh to Guwahati to attend the cremation of his father, who died on 2.07.98. He purchased the tickets for himself, his wife and his son for a total sum of ` 4,103/ The complainant and his family reported to the Sahara India Airlines airport counter at Dibrugarh airport on 02.07.98 to board the flight. The boarding cards for his family were issued by the Airlines and seat nos. 15D, 15E and 15F were allocated to them. After undergoing the necessary security check, the	Jet lite ( india) ltd. (appellant) Versus Dr.surendra nath rana patgir ( respondent ) Jet lite ( india) ltd.	SCDRC Assam	First appeal no.87/200 2 Revision	27/09/2010 25/08/2014	sum of `_1 lakh as compensation for mental agony and harassment plus refund of `_4,103/- as air fare alongwith interest @10% p.a. This appeal is dismissed for default and disposed of accordingly. The stay order granted in execution of the District Forum's order in C.P. 46/98 as issued by this Commission on 10.10.02 stands vacated." Revision petition is allowed and the order dated
complainant and his family were waiting to board the aircraft. The said flight was to go from Dibrugarh to Guwahati and then to Delhi. However, when the flight was about to leave Dibrugarh Airport for Guwahati and Delhi, the Airlines authorities announced that they would not carry the passengers bound for Guwahati due to some operational reasons. However, they permitted the Delhi-bound passengers to fly to Delhi via Guwahati. The complainants requested the airlines authorities to allow his family to fly to Guwahati as a special case, because he was to perform certain rituals for cremation of his father but the Airlines did not accept his request. The complainant and his family were forced to hire a taxi from Dibrugah for his village but he could not reach in time as the dead body of his father had already been cremated. On the other hand, the said flight of Sahara Airlines duly landed at Guwahati to Delhi. The complainant filed the consumer complaint in question claiming a total compensation of ` 4,84,953/- including the taxi fare and air fare for three tickets. In their reply filed before	jet ne ( inia) iti. (petitioner) Versus Dr.surendra nath rana patgir ( respondent		kevision petition no.3973/2 013		and the order dated 27.09.2010 passed by the State Commission is set aside. The case is remanded back to the State Commission for a fresh decision. Both the parties are directed to appear before the State Commission on 15.10.2014 for hearing of the appeal on merits.

5.	http://164.100.72.12/ ncdrcrep/judgement/ 00140319094023493 RP271227132008ht ml1.htm	the District Forum, the OP submitted that the passengers from Dibrugarh to Guwahati were not allowed to board the aircraft due to some technical snag because the anti-skid system of the aircraft had become in operational and hence the aircraft could not carry load beyond a certain limit. The denial of such boarding was neither intentional nor deliberate but it was because of unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances. The brief facts as stated in the complaint no. 202 of 2007 titled Arvinder Pal vs M/s Indus Airways Private Ltd., as that the petitioners/ complainants were to attend a family function at New Delhi on 29.12.2006 at 08.00 P M. They purchased air tickets to travel from Chandigarh to Delhi. Payments were made through credit card and the status of tickets was confirmed. The flight was scheduled to start from Chandigarh at 04.30 P M on the said date but they were informed by the staff of M/s Indus Airways Private Limited – Respondent herein that the flight had been cancelled, but no reason was assigned. At that time neither weather was foggy, nor, there was any natural calamity but on inquiry they came to know that the flight had been cancelled due to less passengers booked for 29.12.2006 on the route from Chandigarh to Delhi. Ultimately, they hired a taxi for Delhi to attend the function and spent Rs.4, 000/ Cancellation of flight caused much pain and agony to them and they had to incur expenditure and they claimed in all Rs.2, 17,900/-, including price of tickets, taxi charges and compensation for	Mr. Anil Goyal and Mr. Arvinder Pal And Others (Complainant) versus Indus Airways Private Ltd. (Respondent)	District Forum Chandigarh	Complain t no.198/20 07& Complain t no.202/20 07	27.9.2007	The District Consumer Disputes Redressal Forum – I, Union Territory, Chandigarh ('the District Forum') vide order dated 27.09.2007 accepted the complaint with cost of Rs.1100/ They were allowed compensation of Rs.40,000/- i.e., Rs.10,000/- each for mental agony and harassment etc., besides reimbursement of taxi charges to the tune of Rs.4,000/ The same was ordered to be paid within 30 days failing which interest @ 9% per annum with effect from 29.12.2006 till payment was to be given. And District Forum accepted the complaint with cost of Rs.1100/- and awarded compensation of Rs.10,000/- besides Rs.4,000/- as refund of taxi charges. Amount was to be paid within 30 days otherwise the same would carry interest @ 9% with effect from 29.12.2006 till payment.
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denied that the flight was cancelled due to less passengers. They further stated that they had given an offer to the petitioners for refund of full amount of tickets or they could enjoy complementary tickets with existing tickets up to 28.02.2007 but the same was not accepted. They denied other allegations and stated that the complaint should be dismissed. In complaint no. 198 of 2007 which was filed by Shri Anil Goyal, it was claimed that he was invited to attend some business engagement at Gurgaon on 29.12.2006 and as such had purchased air ticket to travel from Chandigarh to Delhi and the payment was made through credit card. The status of the ticket was confirmed. The flight was to start from Chandigarh at 05.30 P M and when he reached the domestic airport terminal, Chandigarh at 04.30 P M, he was informed by the staff of Indus Airways that the flight had been cancelled. Other allegations are the	(appellant) Versus Mr. Anil Goyal And Mr. Arvinder Pal And Others Mr. Anil Goyal And Mr. Arvinder pal And Others (petitioner) Versus Indus Airways Private Ltd. (Respondent)	NCDRC	appeal no. 20/2008 and 874/2007 Revision Petitioner no. 2712/2008 & 2713/2008	19.3.1014	their order dated 01.04.2008 accepted the appeals and stated that "the impugned orders being illegal are set aside and the complaints are dismissed.
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order dated 09.01.2008, two different revision	
petitions were also filed. In the said order i	
had been stated that since the OPs had	
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made payment within time as directed by th	e
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for one year and fine of Rs.10,000/ Th	e
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accepted".	
7. While accepting the appeal, the Stat	e
Commission observed as under:	
"There is no dispute about it that or	
29.12.2006 the complainants were to trave	
from Chandigarh to Delhi against confirmed	
tickets issued by M/s Indus Airways. Th	
time of departure on 29.12.2006 from	
Chandigarh for Delhi from domestic airpon	
terminal was 17.30 hours (05.30 P M). Th	
case of complainants is that they had reached	
domestic airport terminal, Chandigarh a	
04.30 PM and on inquiry from the staff o	
M/s Indus Airways, they came to know that	
the flight had been cancelled but the reason	
was not assigned for cancellation of flight	
They further stated that on that date neithe	er

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	the weather was foggy, nor there was any
	natural calamity but on further inquiry they
	discovered that flight was cancelled due to
	less passengers booked for the flight on the
	route from Chandigarh to Delhi. The
	appellants had denied that flight had been
	cancelled which was scheduled to start from
	Chandigarh at 05.30 PM on 29.12.2006 due to
	less passengers booked. The Airport
	Authority Chandigarh had issued certificate
	dated 15.12.2007 which is very relevant in
	this case. The airport authorities had certified
	that Indus Airways Private Limited scheduled
	flight no. 09-103 from Mumbai to Chandigarh
	was unable to land at Chandigarh airport on
	29.12.2006 due to closure of airfield after
	2020 hours. They have further certified that
	Chandigarh airfield normal watch hour is
	from Dawn to Dusk and initial extension of
	watch hours was given with the request of
	above airline. They next stated that due to
	closure of Chandigarh airfield during the
	arrival time, Indus Airways Flight 09-103 was
	diverted to IGI Airport, Delhi.
	In the ticket annexure C 1 issued in favour of
	Shri Arvinder Pal the flight number has been
	mentioned to be 09-202. However, in the
	certificate issued by Airport Authorities,
	Chandigarh, flight number has been
	mentioned to be 09-103. In the complaint of
	Shri Anil Goyal the flight number has not
	been mentioned. The affidavit of Mrs Lili
	Beri, Director, M/s Indus Airways Pvt. Ltd.,
	dated 18.03.2008 duly attested by the Oath
	Commissioner has been filed. It states that
	M/s Indus Airways Pvt., Ltd., used to operate
	one flight daily which originated from Delhi –
	Chandigarh – Mumbai – Chandigarh – Delhi.
	It was next stated that flight which originated
	from Delhi was numbered 09-101 to
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	Chandigarh and thereafter when it took off	
	from Chandigarh for Mumbai it was known	
	as 09-102 and when it originated from	
	Mumbai back to Chandigarh the flight was	
	known as 09-103 and when it landed at	
	Chandigarh and took off to Delhi it was	
	known as 09-202. It next stated that when	
	complainant had purchased the ticket from	
	Chandigarh to Delhi the flight number was	
	given as 09-202 but the flight which was	
	coming from Mumbai to Chandigarh was	
	given the flight no. 09-103 and since the	
	flight no. 09-103 did not land at Chandigarh.	
	Therefore, flight no. 09-202 from Chandigarh	
	to Delhi did not originate. It is further stated	
	that flight no. 09-202 was to take off from	
	Chandigarh to Delhi at 17.40 hours but the	
	same was delayed and appellant company had	
	paid for the watch hours to the airport	
	authority but due to closer of airfield after	
	20.20 hours the same was not allowed to land.	
	On 29.12.2006 due to fog at Delhi airport the	
	flight was delayed and thereafter same	
	continued to be delayed even at Mumbai	
	airport due to traffic congestion.	
	There is no dispute about it that in the month	
	of December, fog is heavy as winter session is	
	on its peak. Hence, certificate coupled with	
	the affidavit of MrsLili Beri, Director of M/s	
	Indus Airways, positively proves that there	
	was only one flight which was operated by	
	M/s Indus Airways Pvt., Ltd., and that flight	
	was delayed at Delhi – Mumbai route due to	
	fog and even the appellant (M/s Indus	
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	Airways) got the watch hours extended but due to alcours of the cirfield at 20.20 flight	
	due to closure of the airfield at 20.20 flight no. 09-103 could not land and was diverted to	
	IGI Airport, Delhi. Hence, it gives lie to the	
	version of complainants that flight was	
	cancelled due to less booked passengers".	

The main	grounds	for	the	revision	petitions
are as follo	ows:				

• The State Commission, U T Chandigarh failed to consider the facts that the flight was scheduled to start from Chandigarh at 05.30 P M on 29.12.2006. When the petitioner reached the Domestic Airport Terminal Chandigarh at 04.30 P M on the said date they were informed by the staff of the respondents that the flight had been cancelled but no reason was assigned for the cancellation of flight. Neither the weather was foggy nor there was any natural calamity but on enquiry it was discovered that the flight was cancelled due to less passengers, i.e., only five passengers were booked for 29.12.2006 on the route from Chandigarh to Delhi, as such, due to less of number of passengers the flight has been cancelled, as the same would cause huge losses to the respondents/ company.

• The State Commission, U T Chandigarh erroneously reversed the finding of the District Forum -1, Chandigarh and failed to appreciate the admitted facts that after receipt of the notice from the District Forum -1, UT, Chandigarh, the respondents filed written statement and evidence and admitted the contents of the complaint but they submitted that the said flight could not land due to unavailability of watch hours which was beyond the control of OPs. The OPs has not denied the facts that only five passengers were booked from Chandigarh.

• The respondents preferred an appeal against the order of the District Forum 1 dated 27.09.2007. The State Commission allowed the appeal filed by the respondents and dismissed the complaint vide a common order dated 01.04.2008 by holding that the respondents are not at fault, without any

regard to the facts and circumstances of the			
case and that too just on the basis of procured			
certificate and false affidavit submitted by the			
respondents by way of additional evidence.			
• It is submitted that the respondents procured			
a certificate as per their/ its own convenience			
and thereafter the same was produced by the			
respondents before the State Commission,			
Chandigarh in appeal along with an			
application for additional evidence.			
• Mrs Lili Beri, Director of the respondent's			
intentionally, deliberately and knowingly			
filed a false affidavit by way of additional			
evidence on the basis of clever manipulation,			
procured certificate dated 15.12.2007 to cover			
up their misdeed and mislead the State			
Commission, Chandigarh and the same was			
considered as genuine evidence by the State			
Commission and on the basis of above and			
false evidence, the State Commission,			
Chandigarh held that the respondents are not			
at fault and dismissed the complaint.			
We have heard the learned counsel for the			
parties and have carefully gone through the			
records of the case. It is an admitted fact that			
flight no. 09-103 from Mumbai did not land			
at Chandigarh and therefore, flight no. 09-202			
from Delhi to Chandigarh did not originate.			
This was due to the fact that a single aircraft			
was to fly on the sector Delhi – Chandigarh –			
Mumbai – Chandigarh – Delhi and due to			
weather conditions and the fog which			
normally occur in northern India during the			
month of December the flight schedule was			
disturbed. Since the flight from Mumbai			
could not land and due to unavailability of			
watch hour at Chandigarh it was cancelled			
and diverted directly to Delhi. It is also an			
admitted fact that the scheduled flight was			
05.30 p m and at 04. 30 p m, they were			
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informed by the staff regarding the
cancellation of the flight and offered refund.
11. Though the counsel for the petitioner has
argued that the flight was cancelled not due to
weather conditions but on account of only
five passengers who were found to be
travelling from Chandigarh, counsel for the
petitioner could not show or file any
documents in support of her claim. She could
also not file any document to support her
argument that the weather conditions were not
foggy. Airlines have to take decisions
regarding flight schedules in the interest of
passenger safety. These decisions have to be
taken as per the weather conditions and the
facilities available at the airports for night
landing. At the Chandigarh airport the
available watch hour were from dawn to dusk.
12. Thus, in view of the facts stated above no
jurisdictional or legal error has been shown to
us to call for interference in the exercise of
powers under Section 21 (b) of Act. Since,
the State Commission have given a detailed
and well-reasoned order which does not call
for any interference nor does it suffer from
any infirmity or erroneous exercise of
jurisdiction or material irregularity. Thus,
present revision petitions arehereby,
dismissed. Parties shall bear their own costs.