

## WORST AVIATION ACCIDENTS INVOLVING INDIA AND INDIA-BASED AIRCRAFT

All accidents resulting in 30 or more deaths

Date	Location	Aircraft	Deaths	Remarks	Cause
12-11-1996	Haryana state	Saudia B 747 Kazakh IL-76	349	Inc 312 on B 747 and 37 on IL-76	Mid-air collision. Kazakh crew blamed, also inadequate facilities at Delhi.
23-06-1985	Atlantic, off Ireland	Air India B 747	329		Bomb explosion. Errors in baggage checking. 2 killed in related incident at Tokyo.
01-01-1978	Off Mumbai	Air India B 747	213		Instrument failure and pilot error.
22-05-2010	Mangalore	Air India Exp B 737	158	8 surv	Overshot due to pilot error.
19-10-1988	Ahmedabad	IA B 737	133	2 surv	Undershot due to pilot error.
24-01-1966	Mont Blanc, France	Air India B 707	117		Navigation error.
07-02-1968	Himachal Pradesh	IAF AN-12	98		Hit mountain in snowstorm. Wreckage located in 2003.
13-10-1976	Mumbai	IA Caravelle	95		Engine fire, crew also blamed for reacting wrongly.
07-07-1962	NE of Mumbai	Alitalia DC-8	94		Crashed on high ground, pilot error.
14-02-1990	Bangalore	IA A320	92	54 surv	Failure of controls, pilots blamed for reacting wrongly.
14-06-1972	Near Delhi	JAL DC-8	90	Inc 4 on ground, 3 surv	Approached too low, pilot error.
19-11-1978	Leh	IAF AN-12	78	Inc 1 on ground	Engine failure on approach.
16-08-1991	Near Imphal	IA B 737	69		Premature descent, pilot error.
27-07-1963	In sea N of Mumbai	UAA Comet 4C	63		Crashed in heavy rain.
17-07-2000	Patna	Alliance Air B 737	60	Inc 5 on ground, 3 surv	Stalled while approaching, due to pilot error.
26-04-1993	Aurangabad	IA B 737	55	63 surv	Insufficient height while taking off, crashed after striking truck. Fault of pilot and airport staff.
03-11-1950	Mont Blanc, France	Air India Consteln	48		Cause not clear.
31-05-1973	Near Delhi	IA B 737	48	17 surv	Premature descent due to pilot error.
22-02-1980	Agra	IAF C-119	47	Incl 1 on ground, 1 surv	Premature takeoff due to obstruction.
04-08-1979	Panvel, near Mumbai	IA Avro	45		Errors by pilot and radar staff.
12-07-1949	Near Mumbai	KLM Consteln	45		Pilot error, ATC also blamed.

21-04-1969	Khulna, now in Bangladesh	IA F-27	44	Crashed in thunderstorm, navigation error.
03-11-1945	Bhutan	USAAF C-54G	44	Navigation error.
02-05-1953	NW of Kolkata	BOAC Comet 1	43	Structural failure in storm.
29-08-1970	Near Silchar	IA F-27	39	Navigation error.
08-11-1943	Pune	IAF	38 Inc 37 on ground	Crashed into populated area.
29-06-1945	Near Bangalore	RAF Mosquito	38 Inc 36 on ground	Crashed into populated area.
07-02-1966	Banihal Pass, Kashmir	IA F-27	37	Navigation error.
04-02-1945	20 Km NW of Itanagar	USAAF C-46	34 1 surv	Caught fire in midair.
19-10-1988	Near Guwahati	Vayudoot F-27	34	Error by pilot and ATC.

Notes:

IA: Indian Airlines

UAA: United Arab Airlines (Egypt)

USAAF: US Army Air Forces, predecessor of US Air Force.



