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Air fares

THE air fares of local airlines in the past few months have increased to an alarming level. It has become the norm for private air carriers in the country as well as PIA to charge anywhere between Rs25,000 to Rs35,000 as one-way fare from Karachi to Lahore or Islamabad. It is surprising that the round-trip fare for Karachi-Dubai-Karachi on UAE based airlines is cheaper than our local carriers.

I am a frequent traveller and at a loss to understand why air fares have nearly doubled in the last six months when oil prices in the international market have declined.

I request the authorities concerned overseeing air fares fixation to look into the matter.

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