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Subject: **Unsafe Flying Environment.**

In a recent accident in a Contracting State of ICAO involving twin engine turbo prop, the concerned Investigating Agency has brought forward following safety lapses:

1. First Officer sent two text messages from cockpit before take-off whereas crew is supposed to maintain a sterile cockpit.
2. Crew mismanaged a warning from the automatic system that the plane was flying too slowly.
3. The First Officer had flown all of the previous night on two different planes and was probably fatigued and had a health problem.
4. Lack of programme of remedial training for the pilots by the operator.

The above findings indicate unsafe flying environment. All airlines and more specifically non-scheduled operators must take note of these safety lapses and take appropriate steps to comply.

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