

M. I. Gs.

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*383. { Shri H. C. Soy:
Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:
Dr. L. M. Singhvi:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the M.I.G. Planes to be supplied by the U. S. S. R. are for combat purposes or for other purposes; and

(b) if so, to what extent it will help to meet our immediate defence requirements?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) and (b). Only a few planes are to be supplied by the U. S. S. R. The defence requirements will be met, mainly, by manufacture in India. The M. I. G. aircraft are meant to meet the requirements of the I. A. F.

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*395. { Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Dr. L. M. Singhvi:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the M. I. G. planes have been received from U. S. S. R.;

(b) if so, the number of such planes; and

(c) whether more are expected to arrive in 1963?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) Not yet Sir. Some are expected in a few days.

(b) It will not be in the public interest to disclose the number.

(c) No, Sir.

An Hon. Member: Only four.... (Interruption).

Mr. Speaker: If it is known to everyone, why then ask this question?

श्री ह० च० सी० : ये जो फ्यू प्लेन्स हमको मिलने वाले हैं ये कब तक मिलेंगे ?

(कोई उत्तर नहीं दिया गया)

एक माननीय सदस्य : घा रहे हैं ।

श्री रामसेवक यादव : अध्यक्ष महोदय, अभी मंत्री महोदय ने कहा कि सुरक्षा को दृष्टि से यह संख्या बताना ठीक नहीं होगा लेकिन अखबारों में यह संख्या निकला करती है । अध्यक्ष महोदय, अभी आप ने कहा कि जब यह जानते हैं तब क्यों पूछते हैं ? चूंकि अखबारों की खबरें मुस्तनद नहीं होती हैं । इसलिए हम उन से जानना चाहते हैं कि वह अखबारों में जो संख्या छपती रहती है वह सही है या गलत है ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : उन का जवाब है कि वह मुस्तनद खबर नहीं देना चाहते इसलिए अखबार वालों का ही रहने दीजिये ।

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: May I know when we expect to manufacture these planes and their spares in India, and whether it is proposed to manufacture the latest makes in this country or only the penultimately latest makes in this country?

Shri Y. B. Chavan: I think that if all the preparations go on possibly we shall be able to manufacture them within the course of two or three years.

Shri Frank Anthony: They will be obsolete by that time.

Shri Y. B. Chavan: That is as far as the period is concerned. About the other details it is rather very difficult to say.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: May I know whether it is proposed to manufacture the latest models or makes eventually or only the makes which we have