

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:47
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AIRCRAFT ON LEASE BY INDIAN AIRLINES
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Airlines has replaced all the Boeing 737 and Airbus 300 planes;
- (b) if so, whether any cost-benefit analysis was done in advance;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is a plan to replace the existing aircraft;
- (e) if so, the details thereof?
- (f) whether there is an option to take aircraft on lease by Indian Airlines rather than go in for outright purchase of new aircraft; and (g) if so, the reasons for not exercising this less costly option?

Answer

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(SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

(d) and (e): A techno-economic evaluation study to replace the ageing fleet of B-737 and A-300 aircraft in Indian Airlines is currently underway.

(f) and (g): Indian Airlines propose to acquire aircraft both on lease and purchase basis for meeting the future requirements.