

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4187  
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INDUCTION OF A-320 AIRCRAFT  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of A-320 aircraft with the Government at present;
- (b) whether the Government have a proposal to increase its A-320 fleet;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the time by which the new airbuses are expected to be acquired; and
- (e) the steps so far taken in this direction?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): There are 30 A-320 aircraft in the fleet of Indian Airlines.

(b) and (c): Indian Airlines is in the process of acquiring 2 A-320 aircraft on dry lease basis. These aircraft are likely to be delivered shortly.

(d) and (e): A Techno Economic evaluation study by Indian Airlines Limited to augment its fleet capacity and to replace the ageing fleet of the existing Aircraft is currently underway.