

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:573  
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EXPANSION OF AIR INDIA INDIAN AIRLINES  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Air India/Indian Airlines have started their fleet replacement and expansion programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the airbuses replaced/leased out so far and proposed to be replaced and leased out under the programmes;
- (c) whether the expansion plan has been delayed for long; and
- (d) if so, the steps in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a), (b), (c) and (d): The proposals for acquisition of aircrafts by Air India and Indian Airlines are under consideration of Government.