

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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AN-32 AIRCRAFT IN AIR FORCE  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of AN-32 aircraft in the Indian Air Force and the number of aircraft fit for operational use;
- (b) the steps taken to operationalise the rest of the AN-32 aircraft;
- (c) the purposes of having AN-32 aircraft in the fleet; and
- (d) the details of cases where the said aircraft have been used for other specified purposes or misused?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Indian Air Force has AN-32 aircraft in its inventory to provide for Transport, Para Trooping, Bombing, Supply Drop, Casualty Evacuation and Air Logistics. All aircrafts are fit for operational use and are being used for their assigned purposes only.