GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1914 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2010 PROCUREMENT OF DREAMLINER AIRCRAFT Patil Shri A.T. Nana

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India and Jet Airways have ordered to procure dreamliner aircraft;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether manufacturing of these aircraft have already delayed by two years from stipulated time;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the main features of these aircraft alongwith the number of them proposed to be procured by Air India and Jet Airways?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. Erstwhile Air India and its subsidiary Air India Charters Limited had placed orders for 27 Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft with M/s. Boeing in December, 2005. The deliveries of B787 aircraft have been delayed by about 30 months due to delays in the prototype experienced by Boeing.

M/s Jet Airways have also ordered for 10 Boeing 787 dreamliner aircraft with the Boeing Aircraft Company, USA, which were scheduled to be delivered to them between 2011 and 2012. But due to manufacturing/production delay by the manufacturer, the delivery will take place between the first quarter of 2014 and third quarter of 2015.

(e):- Boeing 787 dreamliner is a long range, mid-sized, wide-body, twin engine jet aircraft with seating capacity of 210 to 330 passengers depending upon variant.