

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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REGIONAL TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to produce Regional Transport Aircraft (RTA) indigenously;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated for the project and the estimated cost of each of the Aircrafts;
- (d) the progress made in this regard so far; and
- (e) the time by which the Aircraft is likely to take its first test flight?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a)&(b): Yes Madam. A feasibility study for development of a National Civil Aircraft for regional connectivity is being conducted. It involves creation of configuration definition, undertaking market survey; developing a joint Venture; and full scale Engineering development.

(c)&(d): A High Powered Committee (HPC) has been constituted which would look into the associated matters based on feasibility inputs.

(e): This will be arrived at on completion of feasibility study.