GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2366 ANSWERED ON:10.03.2011 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT Bajirao Shri Patil Padamsinha

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

- (a) the status of Regional Transport Aircraft (RTA-70) Programme, which is aimed at building planes for carrying passengers on shorthaul flights;
- (b) the total amount of investment made on it so far;
- (c) whether any international aviation giant(s) have evinced interest in the project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a)&(b) The Regional Transport Aircraft programme has been renamed as National Civil Aircraft Development (NCAD) programme. A feasibility study is being conducted for the same. The investment so far in this programme is `20 crore.

- (c) No Madam.
- (d)&(e) Does not arise.