

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Air India has any shortage of aircraft and most of the aircraft are quite old;
- (b) if so, the total number of aircraft with the company alongwith age of these aircraft;
- (c) whether the airline incurring losses due to shortage of aircraft; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) and (b): No, Sir. The present fleet of 156 aircraft is adequate to meet its current requirements. Out of 156 aircraft, 51 are of new vintage and the remainder are not. The age of 69 old aircraft is between 15 to 28 years and the age of the remaining 36 aircraft is between 3 to 15 years.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise.