

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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FUTURE REQUIREMENT OF NEW AEROPLANES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the projected number of new aeroplanes likely to be required for passengers and goods transportation in next ten years; and
- (b) the methods for acquiring these aeroplanes and the manner in which the funds are likely to be arranged?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a): According to an assessment of the overall outlook of the sector in 2020, the fleet size in the commercial airline sector will be approx. 1000 aircraft. However, the projected number of new aircraft required in the next ten years would depend upon various factors including, inter-alia, growth of passenger traffic, growth rate of GDP, foreign tourist arrivals, index of Industrial Production (IIP) and prospects of the growth of other modes of transport etc.

(b): The mode of import/acquisition of aircraft and fund requirement for the same is a commercial decision of the airlines and the Government does not interfere in such matters.