GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1330 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2009 ACQUISITION OF AIRCRAFT ON LEASE Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the aircraft obtained by Air India on lease did not prove to be airworthy thereby resulting in huge loss while terminating the lease agreements;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been ordered in the matter; and

(c) if so, the outcome of the inquiry and the action taken against the guilty?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir. There has been no incident of lease termination in the recent past. However, the wet-lease agreements with M/s Caribjet were prematurely terminated in 1996 due to non-compliance of DGCA requirements.

(b) and (c): Yes, Sir. Appropriate action was taken.