

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF TECHNICAL STAFF IN AIR INDIA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of technical staff as well as clerical staff in Air India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any action for recruitment of technical and clerical staff in Air India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned for this purpose?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) to (d): There is no shortage of pilots in Air India. In view of fleet augmentation, recent attrition in the category of pilots and the retirements to taken place in the next two years, Air India has advertised for filling up of 197 vacancies initially to induct commanders and Sr. Trainee Pilots on A-320 family Aircraft. However, Air India by rationalization and optimization is managing its current workload with existing technical manpower. There is no shortage of clerical staff in Air India.