GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3583 ANSWERED ON:04.08.2014 QUALITY OF RADARS Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the radars procured and installed at various airports in the country during the last two years are experiencing problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure incurred on procurement of these radars;

(c) whether the Airports Authority Officers` Association has also complained to Airports Authority of India (AAI) and Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) about the sub-standard quality of these radars; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken or being taken by AAI and DGCA in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri G.M. Siddeshwara)

(a) & (b): Airports Authority of India (AAI) have procured eight radars for an amount of Rs.100.73 Crores. These radars are functioning satisfactorily except for few initial problems during installation and post installation prior to operationalization, which are resolved under post installation warranty by the supplier.

(c): Airports Authority Officers` Association (AAIOA) has highlighted certain issues related to manpower requirement for maintenance, which has already been sorted out by sanctioning additional manpower by the Management.

(d): The radar systems are inspected and certified at factory site and are again subjected to site acceptance testing by qualified experts of AAI. Directorate General of Civil Aviation approval has also been obtained before putting the radars into operations.