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Title: Need to increase positioning of modern aircraft at Netaji Subhas Airport, Calcutta.

15.31 hrs. (Prof. Rita Verma in the Chair)

SHRIMATI KRISHNA BOSE (JADAVPUR): Madam Chairperson, there is going to be a reduction in the future schedule of positioning of modern aircraft at the Netaji Subhas Airport, Calcutta. Presently, there are two A300s and three A320s (earlier, it was four A320s). In the coming summer, it is going to be only one A320.

This reduction in positioning of A320 aircraft will adversely affect pilots in getting adequate experience in modern aircraft. It will also adversely affect engineering personnel in getting experience in maintenance of modern aircraft fleet.

It is requested that the Central Government may direct the Ministry of Civil Aviation to increase the fleet of A320 aircraft for Netaji Subhas Airport, Calcutta. The positioning of these modern aircraft is essential for practice and training of pilots and engineering personnel.