

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 10
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3rd February 2025)

AERO-MANUFACTURING ECOSYSTEMS IN THE COUNTRY

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) the initiatives undertaken to promote aero-manufacturing ecosystems in the country; and
- (b) the extent of foreign direct investment received in this sector during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a)The Government has been encouraging the development of the ecosystem for the manufacturing of aircraft, including regional transport aircraft, and associated equipment by public and private enterprises in India. The steps taken by the Government aim to bridge the technological gaps faced by the industry. CSIR-NAL, Bengaluru, a constituent laboratory of CSIR has developed indigenous 2-seater trainer aircraft Hansa - 3 (NG) and type certified by DGCA for use by Flight Training Organisations (FTOs) for commercial pilot training. For commercial production of Hansa-3(NG) an EoI has been issued to identify the prospective firm to take up manufacturing. Further, the development of indigenous 19-seater Light Transport Aircraft Saras Mk2 is under progress at CSIR-NAL. The Saras Mk2 initiative has a collaboration and partnership with HAL. The aircraft has significant indigenous technologies like advanced composite wing, composite & light weight material airframe, avionics, display & communication system etc. The production and manufacturing activities of aircraft with its indigenous content is envisaged to promote indigenous civil aircraft manufacturing in the country.

(b)The total FDI inflow between December, 2021 to December, 2024 is Rs 951.84 Cr. in Defence & Aerospace Sector, as per database maintained in Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence.
