GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2549 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH MARCH, 2017 AIRCRAFT IN IAF

2549. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

(a) whether sufficient number of aircrafts have been included in the Indian Air Force for imparting training to pilots;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether women fighter pilots have also been included in the Indian Air Force; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWERMINISTER OF STATE(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)रारायमंगे(SI. सुभाष भामरे)

<u>(a) & (b):</u> Adequate number of aircrafts are in place in the Indian Air Force for imparting training to the pilots. These include Pilatus PC-7 Mk-II Basic Trainer Aircraft, Kiran Mk I / IA Intermediate Jet Trainer and Hawk Mk-132 Advance Jet Trainer aircraft.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) & (e): Three women Short Service Commissioned Officers have been inducted in Indian Air Force into the fighter stream on 18.06.2016.
