GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1947

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TECHNICAL PROBLEM IN A320 NEO AIRCRAFT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the engine issues connecting aircraft A320 Neo would not have an impact on aircraft deliveries in India, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Airbus had informed the Government that it is working to fix teething trouble in A320 Neo aircrafts; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

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(a): The delivery of A 320 Neo aircraft to Indian operators started in first quarter of year 2016. Subsequently, operators have started facing the problem on PW 1100G-JM engine fitted on these aircraft due to bearing seal plate wearing and combustion chamber distress. Both M/s Indigo and M/s Go Air has confirmed that these issues have impacted the delivery of aircraft. Further, Air India has also experienced delay in deliveries of some A320 Neo aircraft fitted with CFM Leap 1A26 engines by few days due to non-availability of engines at Airbus facility.

(b) & (c): Manufacturer has informed Directorate General of Civil Aviation about addressing the bearing and combustion chamber distress problem.