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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3017
(To be answered on the 3rd August 2017)**

PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT

3017. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has ordered purchase of 1000 aircraft, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether with 1000 aircraft set to be on order, India is poised to become the 3rd largest buyer of commercial passenger planes in the world, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the estimated number of civilian aircraft in the country at present;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take measures for parking bays and runway slots to meet congestion at airports; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

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- (a): No, Madam.
 - (b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.
 - (c): The total number of civilian aircraft in the country at present is 1623 (1312 aeroplanes and 311 helicopters).
 - (d) & (e): There is requirement of additional 170 parking bays at Airport Authority of India (AAI) airports. AAI is constructing 130 parking bays and has requested State Governments for land acquisition for taking up construction of rest of the parking bays.
