

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.863
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH FEBRUARY, 2018

SHORTAGE OF PILOTS

863. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and types of aircraft that are being used by the Indian Air Force (IAF) for training IAF pilots at present;
- (b) whether there is a shortage of pilots in the IAF and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken / proposed to be taken to meet the said shortage?

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MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) At present IAF uses adequate number of following aircrafts for training:-

- (1) Basic Trainer Aircraft;**
- (2) Intermediate Jet Trainer; and**
- (3) Advance Jet Trainer.**

(b) The available strength of pilots in the IAF is sufficient to meet the current operational requirements.

(c) Every year, the IAF participates in a number of career fairs / exhibitions, releases advertisements in newspapers / television and conducts numerous lectures in schools and colleges to motivate the target group.
