

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2634
(To be answered on the 22nd December 2022)**

MANUFACTURING OF AIRCRAFT

2634. DR. T.R. PAARIVENDHAR

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has initiated the groundwork for local manufacturing of passenger aircraft and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government is in the process of looking for vacant sites near airports to set up manufacturing unit;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has identified the number of airports where the manufacturing of passenger aircraft unit would be set up;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the time by which the unit would start its production?**

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) to (f) The Government has been promoting and facilitating the manufacturing of aircraft, including a Regional Transport Aircraft, and associated equipment by public and private enterprises in India. Hindustan - 228 (Upgraded) civil aircraft developed by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is a 19 seater turbo prop aircraft suitable for regional connectivity. HAL has also entered into MoU with Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) - National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) for Design, Development and Certification of 19 seat Light Transport Aircraft - SARAS MKII and subsequent Production, Marketing and Lifestyle Maintenance of the aircraft.

In order to promote the Government's initiative of "Atma Nirbhar Bharat" for manufacturing of C-295 Military Transport Aircraft by M/s Tata Advanced System Limited (TASL) (in collaboration with Airbus Defence and Space, a Final Assembly Line and Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facility), the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has approved the allotment of

land measuring 50 acres to M/s TASL for setting up Final Assembly Line and MRO facility at Vadodara Airport. The foundation stone for the same was laid on 30.10.2022.
