GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION **LOK SABHA**

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NEW POLICY ON MRO

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government has unveiled a new policy to promote Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) of aircraft;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the manner in which the said policy would make India a global hub in MRO:

(d) whether Government proposes to converge civil and military works with respect to MRO at identified airports; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (c): Yes Sir. The Government has issued revised Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul (MRO) guidelines on 1st September, 2021 to create a conducive environment for the development of aircraft MRO services. The salient features of the guidelines are enumerated below:

a. Concession fee, in any manifestation, including royalty, shall not be leviable

on new contracts or renewal of existing contracts.

b. Selection of agency and procedures for allotment of land/ space under rationalized land/space rental for new MRO contracts and renewal of existing

MRO contracts, shall be through e-tender by AAI.

c. The renewal of the existing land leases/ space license of MRO service providers/ Aircraft Maintenance Organizations (AMOs) shall be on the basis of bidding wherein Right of First Refusal (RoFR) shall be given to the existing lessee/ licensee to match the first rank bid in terms of the selection criteria provided its bid is within 15% of the most competitive bid received.

- d. The maximum period of contract, new or for renewal, for allotment of land/space shall be 30 years from the date of handing over of site.
- (d) and (e): Under Civil and Military Convergence Project, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has approved HAL, Nasik as the centre point for Civil MRO diversification. HAL Nasik has converted one hangar as a civil MRO hangar and has also received Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) approval for four variants of business jets in collaboration with Air Works Pvt. Ltd. HAL Nasik has also conducted DGCA approved familiarization/ on-job training courses for its employees with Air India Engineering Services Ltd. (AIESL) and Air Works. HAL Nasik has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with leasing MRO players to "Explore business cooperation, opportunities in the area of MRO for Airframe, Landing gears, Engines, Auxiliary Power Units (APUs), Aircraft part out and components for commercial/ civil aircraft at HAL, Nasik.