GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED OUESTION NO.2239

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH JULY, 2016

MIRAGE AND TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT

2239. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether parts of Mirage 2000 and MIG-29 imported from Russia and repaired engines of Russian made transport aircraft, IL-76 are held up at various airports and ports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b): Due to withdrawal of exemption of custom duty on items imported by Defence Services w.e.f. 01.04.2016, the consignments of imported items for Mirage 2000 upgraded aircraft and MIG-29 were held up at airports for customs clearance. No repaired engines of IL-76 fleet are held up at any airport / port. The matter has been resolved since.
- (c) In order to resolve the problem, a procedure, has been formulated as per which the consignments are cleared by issuing a custom clearance certificate by Ministry of Defence (MoD) and a bond signed by Indian Air Force. A Standing Operating Procedure has been issued to all concerned for affecting payment of custom duty.
