

Systems are issued, no non-government agency, organization or individual will launch an UAS in Indian Civil Airspace for any purpose whatsoever.

(c) International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) has not issued any Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) for operation of civil UAS so far. However, DGCA has circulated draft guidelines for stakeholder consultations.

Replacement of old aircrafts

1627. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of aircrafts with the national airlines are quite old as on date, if so, the details thereof, airlines-wise; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to deal with this situation and the difficulties being faced by Government in the timely replacement of old aircrafts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) The details regarding number of various types of aircraft in the fleet of Air India and its subsidiaries, alongwith their average age are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(b) The Board of Air India has approved dry leasing of 19 A320 aircraft to replace the old/leased aircraft. In line with the approval by the Board, Air India has entered into an agreement for lease of 5 A320 aircraft, of which two aircraft have already been delivered. AI has also floated a tender for leasing of 14 A320 neo aircraft. The financial bids have been obtained and bidder has been selected.

Statement

Operating passenger fleet and average age statistics of Air India and its subsidiaries

Aircraft Type	Total Fleet (Incl Leased)	As on 27 July, 2015 Avg. Age (Yrs.)
1	2	3
Wide Body		
B777-200 LR	3	6.0
B777-300 ER	12	6.4
B 787-800	21	1.6

1	2	3
B747-400	5	20.4
ALL WIDE BODY	41	5.6
Narrow Body		
A-321	20	6.7
A-320	21	17.9
A-319	22	7.1
All Narrow Body	63	10.6
AIR INDIA	104	8.6
Air India Express		
B737-800 (AIX)	17	7.5
Alliance Air		
ATR42	3	20.2
CRJ-700	3	12.3
ATR72	4	0.3
ALL ALLIANCE AIR	10	9.8
ALL TYPE	131	8.6

Financial problems of Civil Aviation sector

1628. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Civil Aviation sector in the country is facing financial and liquidity problems specially in 2015-16; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the state of financial performance of Air India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) Airlines-wise data for 2015-16 is not available with Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA). However, airline-wise latest financial details for the year 2012-2013 & 2013-14 available with DGCA is given in the Statement.