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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Indian Air Force (IAF) is not maintaining aircraft as per laid down norms/standards resulting in increase in air crash incidents; and

(b) if so, the measures taken by the IAF to maintain aircrafts as per the laid down norms/standards?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): The Indian Air Force (IAF) is maintaining aircraft as per schedules/standards of Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM). Additional checks are also introduced by the IAF/OEM, based on malfunction or failures noticed during the service life of these aircraft.