



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Target towing.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Pilot made short approach owing to rough engine. Could not land on runway in use as another A/C was just landing. While avoiding other A/C engine failed completely which forced pilot to land A/C in soft mud beyond runway.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Loss of engine was due to failure of ignition harness. The insulation on the spark plug leads was burned for 2" from spark plugs, and resulted in short circuits. The burning of the leads is attributed to excessive cylinder head temperature.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

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CLASSIFICATION:

~~54. Engine failure in the air.~~

*COLLISIONS.*

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

*PETROL SHORTAGE*

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil.