

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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TESTING OF AKASH MISSILES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the air to air missile Akash has been test fired successfully in Orissa recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be inducted?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Surface to air missile, Akash has been test fired successfully in Orissa recently. Three guided flight trials were undertaken recently from Integrated Test Range, Balasore, Orissa and all the mission objectives were achieved.
- (c) The developmental flight trials of Akash missile system have been completed and the system is ready for user trials, which will be followed by production and induction.