

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:291  
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PRODUCTION OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any proposal under active consideration of the Government for production of F-16 and F-18 Fighter Aircraft in the country;
- (b) if so, the present status of the proposal; and
- (c) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

(SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUÉ)  
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.