

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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DEFECTS IN T-90 TANKS

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether some defects have been found in the Russian T-90 Tanks;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to remove these defects;
- (c) whether the indigenous Arjun Tank has failed to come up to the Army's standards despite best of efforts; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): T-90 tanks, like any other major equipment when inducted had few teething problems which have been addressed, in consultation with the manufacturer and their design bureau. Besides, EME personnel are being specially trained on repairs and maintenance aspects.

(c) & (d): MBT Arjun fully meets with Army's requirements. The operational aspects of induction will be assessed through Accelerated user cum reliability test for placement of orders for further quantity.