

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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UPGRADATION OF MIRAGE AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has signed deal with France for upgradation of Mirage-2000 fighter aircraft;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the extent to which the squadron strength of the Air Force will increase?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) to (c): No, Madam. The proposal is not yet finalized.
- (d) Since the proposal is for upgrade of existing aircraft, the squadron strength of the Indian Air Force is not affected.