

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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TESTING OF BRAHMOS MISSILE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the supersonic cruise missile Brahmos has been successfully test-fired from Balasore district in Orissa recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the capability of the same; and
- (c) the time by which the missile is likely to be inducted?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The supersonic cruise missile BrahMos has been tested successfully for application in Indian Navy and Army. On 2nd December 2010, Block-III version of the missile was test fired to establish the steep dive capability of the missile with large manoeuvres. The mission was accomplished successfully, establishing a unique capability of supersonic dive in mountain operations.
- (c) Block-I and II versions of the BrahMos missile are already in service with the Indian Army. Block-III version is likely to be inducted in the 12th Plan.