

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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FIGHTER PILOTS OF AIR FORCE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to equip the fighter pilots of the Indian Air Force with state-of-the art equipment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The Government reviews and upgrades the equipment of fighter pilots of the Indian Air Force, based on operational, safety and security requirements. This is a continuous process. It is ensured that state-of-the-art equipment is a part of all the new procurements of fighter aircraft in IAF.

(c) Do not arise.