

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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AVATAR PROJECT
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Aerobic Vehicle for Hypersonic Aerospace Transportation (AVATAR) project jointly spearheaded by Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) and Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO); and

(b) the time by which the first prototype will be ready for testing?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY):

(a)&(b) Feasibility study of project `AVATAR` has been done by a group of scientists in DRDO. ISRO has no connection with the project.