

**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 finalized the deal for upgradation of the Mirage 2000 fighter aircraft and also equip them with missiles to be supplied by France;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (c) the time by which the upgradation work with the said missiles is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) Madam, contracts have been signed with M/s Thales, France and M/s Dassault Aviation, France, along with M/s Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) for upgrade of the Mirage 2000 aircraft of the Indian Air Force (IAF). A contract has also been signed with M/s MBDA, France, for procurement of air to air missiles for the Mirage 2000 aircraft.

(b) The cost of the contract for upgrade of the Mirage 2000 with M/s Thales and M/s Dassault Aviation is Euro 1470 Million, while the cost of the contract with M/s HAL is Rs.2020 crore. The cost of the contract for procurement of the missiles from M/s MBDA, France, is Euro 958,980,822.44.

(c) The entire upgradation of the Mirage aircraft is scheduled to be completed by 2021. Delivery of MICA missiles is scheduled between 2015 and 2019.