

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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T-90 TANKS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is fast tracking orders for T-90 Main Battle Tanks and other specialized ammunition meant for the tanks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of negotiations/contracts for purchase of other such arms and equipment;
- (d) the expenditure likely to be incurred therein; and
- (e) the measures taken to ensure quality and transparency in the deals?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): Madam, proposals for procurement of missiles and ammunition for T-90 Tanks and other such arms & equipment are at various stages of procurement. The Defence Procurement Procedure, provides for the highest degree of probity and public accountability, transparency in operations, fair competition and impartiality in defence deals. T-90 tanks are procured from the Ordnance Factory Board. Divulging further details would not be in national interest.