

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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DELIVERY OF AJT HAWK  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the inability of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to meet the delivery schedule of the Hawk-132 Advanced Jet Trainer (AJT) has delayed the Indian Air Force's fighter pilot training programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken to meet the delivery schedule?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) & (b): The Hawk Mk-132 Advanced Jet Trainer (AJT) was inducted into the Indian Air Force (IAF) in 2008 as a fighter trainer with the aim to replace the Kiran Mk-II/MiG-21 route of training. Keeping in view the delay in delivery of Hawk by HAL due to receipt of defective components, Jigs and fixtures from the foreign manufacturer on whom liquidated damages of 6.5 million GBP were levied, the original training plan by Hawk for 2010-11 was modified and pilots of the IAF were trained on the MiG-21 aircraft.

(c) The supplies of Hawk AJT to IAF was completed in 2011-12, hence does not arise.