

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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SPENDING ON PROCUREMENT

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Air Force (IAF) proposes to spend on capital procurements during the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of funds demanded by the IAF and the funds allocated to them for Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (d) whether IAF proposes to acquire medium multi role combat aircraft to boost its air combat power;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether IAF has initiated any commercial negotiations for such acquisitions; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof along with the present status?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. IAF proposes to spend on Capital procurements during the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-2017) which includes new inductions like Su-30MKI, Light Combat Aircraft (LCA), Medium Multi-Role Combat Aircraft (MMRCA), Very Heavy Transport Aircraft (VHETAC), Attack Helicopters, Heavy Lift Helicopters (HLH), Medium Lift Helicopters (MLH) and different missile systems among others.

(c) Funds are allocated specifically for each Financial Year and not for the entire Plan period. The funds demanded by the IAF for the Financial Year 2012-13 was ` 36,950/- Crore and against this the amount allocated was 30,514.45 Crore.

(d) to (g): Yes, Madam. The proposal for procurement of 126 Medium Multi-Role Combat Aircrafts (MMRCA) is presently at contract negotiation stage with M/s Dassault Aviation, France, who emerged as L1 vendor.