

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INDUCTION OF AWACS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of induction of Phalcon Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) being procured from Israel;
- (b) the extent to which the said system is likely to strengthen India's defence preparedness; and
- (c) the efforts for its technology transfer and indigenous production?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) The first Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) was inducted into the Indian Air Force on 26-05-2009. The second and third aircraft are due for delivery in 2009 and 2010 respectively.
- (b) The aircraft will enhance India's capabilities for surveillance and detection of airborne targets.
- (c) There is no provision for transfer of technology in the contract for supply of the three AWACS aircraft. A project to develop an indigenous Airborne Early Warning & Control (AEW&C) System has been undertaken by DRDO.