

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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ANTI MISSILES DEFENCE SYSTEM  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government had declined the repeated demand of Navy for additional supply of missiles to arm Barak-I Anti-Missile Defence (AMD) system fitted on frontline warships including INS Virat and stealth frigates;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether due to critical shortfall of missiles, the Navy has been forced to curtail even practice firing of the Barak-I AMD system; and
- (d) if so, the alternative arrangement made by the Government keeping in view the critical operational urgency of Navy for acquiring the adequate number of Barak-I missiles?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): No, Madam.

(c) & (d): The practice firings are aligned as per stocks. Divulging further details on this issue will not be in the interest of National Security.