

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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AWACS

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to manufacture Airborne Early Warning and Control System (AWACS) / reconnaissance aircraft indigenously;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- (a) Yes, Madam.
  - (b) The basic AWACS reconnaissance aircraft consists of two parts namely the platform and mission sensor suite. The platform has been jointly selected by DRDO and Indian Air Force. The design & development, testing and integration of the complete mission systems of AWACS is proposed to be carried out by DRDO.
  - (c) Government through DAC has accorded "in-principle" sanction for indigenous development of AWACS.
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