

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PROJECTS OF HAL
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of Defence related projects undertaken by the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) have been delayed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in completing these projects; and
- (c) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government for execution of these delayed projects in time bound manner?

Answer

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

(a) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has taken up indigenous production of SU-30 MKI fighter aircraft, Light Combat Aircraft (LCA), Advanced Jet Trainer (Hawk), Intermediate Jet Trainer (IJT), Advance Light Helicopter (ALH) and Dornier-228 for the defence forces. Dornier-228 programme has been as per schedule. There have been some delays in deliveries in respect of production programmes of other aircraft.

(b) In the initial stages of the projects, delays were due to re-work in jigs in Hawk, late receipt of drawings from Russia for Su-30 MKI, certification issues of Shakti engines and integration issues related to Integrated Architecture and Display System (IADS) and other new items in respect of ALH, and design and development issues relating to IJT and LCA. The certification of IJT was also delayed due to the accident of Prototype-1 and failure of Stress Test Specimen.

(c) From time to time reviews are undertaken at various levels with the concerned stakeholders to review execution of the Projects.