

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3841
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th December, 2019

PROCUREMENT OF ANTI TANK MISSILE

3841. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any order has been placed for procurement of Anti Tank Spike Missiles from Israel;
- (b) if so, the total number of missiles to be procured and their cost in Indian rupee;
- (c) the advantage of such missiles over similar type of missiles produced by other countries; and
- (d) the other countries which are using such missiles and whether such missiles are acquired and developed by Pakistan and China?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

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- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) A suitable number of Missiles and allied systems have been procured to meet operational requirement of the Indian Army.
- (c) Spike Long Range (LR) Anti-Tank Guided Missile (ATGM) system is a man portable 4th Generation system which can engage targets in both Fire & Forget and Fire, Observe & Update mode, thus enhancing the operational flexibility and crew survivability. Dual mode seeker of the system allows precise engagement both during day and night. The system also has Top Attack capability to enhance the lethality of the missile against tank targets.
- (d) Israel, Germany, Spain are among the other users of 4th Generation Spike LR ATGM system. As per available inputs in open source, China has developed a 3rd Generation ATGM System while Pakistan does not have such a capability yet.
