

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4062

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9TH DECEMBER, 2016

NUCLEAR ARSENAL OF PAKISTAN

4062. SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD:
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KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{k k ea=h
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that Pakistan is expanding its nuclear arsenal and has developed warheads for delivery as well as converting some of its fighter jets to deliver nukes; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government thereto?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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(a) & (b): Government is aware of reports on the expansion of Pakistan's capability for fissile material production for nuclear weapons, the expansion in its delivery system capabilities and purported development of tactical nuclear weapons. Government continues to monitor development in this regard and is committed to taking all necessary steps to safeguard national security and respond to any threat suitably and adequately.
