## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2597**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY, 2018

## DEPLETING AIR COMBAT POWER

2597. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) whether air combat power is decreasing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the manner in which Indian Air Force proposes to carry out full spectrum operations in this scenario; and
- (d) the details of inductions in the IAF and the time by which IAF proposes to induct all its fighter jets, personnel, ammunition etc.?

## A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE रारायमं भे (डा. स्भाष भामरे)

- (a) to (c): Indian Air Force is suitably equipped, trained and organized to cater for the threat environment that exists and is ready to meet the role assigned to it. Operational preparedness is reviewed from time to time based on the threat perception.
- (d) Augmentation of capabilities of Indian Air Force by way of procurement and indigenous production including its modernisation depends upon national security, strategic objectives and operational requirements of defence forces and is reviewed by the Government from time to time. This is a dynamic and continuous process.

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