# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

### LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.690**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th November, 2019

#### **RAFALE JET**

690. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

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

- (a) the number of Rafale jets commissioned for Indian Air Force so far;
- (b) the number of such jets handed over to the country by French company;
- (c) the price of a jet in the Rafale deal;
- (d) whether the pricing in this ongoing deal has any increase over the earlier deal and if so, the comparative details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Indian Government recommended any company for the deal of making the Rafale jets for India and if so, the details thereof?

#### A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

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- (a) & (b): Three Rafale fighter aircraft have been handed over to the Indian Air Force (IAF) till date which are being used for training of IAF pilots and technicians in France.
- (c) & (d): The Performance Audit Report of CAG on Capital Acquisition in Indian Air Force presented in Parliament on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 has brought out that the entire package price of the 36 Rafale procurement is 2.86% lower than the Audit Aligned price compared to MMRCA process.

That CAG report has also brought out that Non Firm & Fixed (F&F) bid as done in the 36 Rafale IGA may be more advantageous than Firm & Fixed offer.

(e) The Inter-Governmental Agreement was signed on 23.09.2016 between the Government of India and the Government of French Republic along with Aircraft Package Supply Protocol (APSP) signed with M/s Dassault Aviation and Weapons Package Supply Protocol (WPSP) signed with M/s MBDA for purchase of 36 Rafale fighter aircraft in fly-away condition. Indian Government has not recommended any company for making Rafale jets for India.

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