

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2310**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016

**F-16 TO PAKISTAN**

2310. SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:  
SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has lodged any protest with the USA over reported sale of F-16s fighter jets to Pakistan; and  
(b) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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**(a) & (b): India has expressed disappointment at the decision of the United States Government to notify the sale of F-16 aircrafts to Pakistan. India does not agree with the US rationale that such arms transfers help to combat terrorism. The US Ambassador was summoned by the Ministry of External Affairs to convey India's displeasure.**

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