

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

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INDUCTION OF BRAHMOS SUPERSONIC CRUISE MISSILE  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Navy has inducted the Brahmos Supersonic cruise missile;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the range capability of the said missile; and
- (d) the extent to which it would help in strengthening our Navy?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): After a series of successful flight trials from ship and land the missile has proved its accurate performance against ship target with devastating destruction capability. The Navy has placed a Letter of Interest (LoI) for inducting BrahMos Supersonic Cruise Missiles in certain types of ships and in shore. Production has commenced for induction in the Indian Navy in 2005.

(c) The missile has a maximum range of 290 km.

(d) As there is no equivalent of BrahMos missile in any other country, the Indian Navy's fire power will enhance multiple times, thereby getting the competitive advantage in warfare.