GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

**RAJYA SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION NO.58**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.7.2018

**DELIVERY OF RAFALE FIGHTER JETS**

\*58. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 36 Rafale fighter jets were supposed to be delivered in fly-away condition in a deal struck by the Government;

(b) if so, how many jets have been delivered to India till now;

(c) the reasons as to why there is a delay in delivery when the deal was struck for immediate requirement; and

(d) the timeline of delivery of 36 jets?

### ANSWER

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 58 FOR 23.7.2018 REGARDING DELIVERY OF RAFALE FIGHTER JETS.**

(a) to (d): As per the Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) signed between the Government of India and the Government of French Republic, delivery of 36 Rafale aircraft in a fly-away condition along with associated equipment and weapons will commence from September, 2019 and will be completed by April, 2022. The project is progressing as per schedule.

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