

# Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh to leave for France to receive first Rafale fighter aircraft;

## Shri Rajnath Singh to hold talks with French President and Minister of Armed Forces

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Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh will leave New Delhi on Monday, October 7th to France on a two day visit.

On October 8th morning, Shri Rajnath Singh will meet Mr Emmanuel Macron, President of the French Republic.

Later, Raksha Mantri will participate in the Rafale fighter aircraft handing over ceremony at Merignac along with French Minister of Armed Forces Ms Florence Parly. He will also perform the Shastra Puja on the auspicious occasion of Vijayadashami and fly a sortie in the Rafale fighter aircraft.

Later, Shri Rajnath Singh will hold the Annual Defence dialogue with French Minister of Armed Forces Ms Florence Parly.

On October 9, Raksha Mantri will address the CEOs of the French Defence industry during which he is likely to urge them to participate in “Make in India” and the DefExpo to be held in Lucknow from February 5-8, 2020.

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