

**Agni missile** is a family of medium to intercontinental range ballistic missiles developed by DRDO of India. This missile system comprises five missiles ranging from 700 km to 5800 km. It is named after one of the five elements of nature.

**Nag missile** is a third generation, all-weather, top-attack, fire-and-forget anti-tank guided missile. It has a range of 3 to 7 km. Its separate versions are being developed for Army and the Air Force. It is one of five missile systems developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) under the Integrated Guided Missile Development Program (IGMDP).

**Akash missile** is a medium-range surface-to-air missile developed as part of India's Integrated Guided Missile Development Programme (IGMDP) to achieve self-sufficiency in the area of surface-to-air missiles. It is the most expensive missile project ever undertaken by the government of India in the 20th century. It can target an aircraft up to 30 km away at the altitudes up to 18,000 m.

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Nirbhay missile is an all-weather low-cost long-range cruise missile with stealth and high accuracy. The missile has a range of more than 1000 km. It weighs about one tonne and has a length of 6 metres. It is capable of being launched from multiple platforms on land, sea and air and shall be inducted into Indian Navy, Army and Air Force.

# FIND OUT

1. Which among the following was the first missile developed under IGMDP?  
a. Agni                    b. Prithvi                    c. Nag                    d. Trishul
2. Which among the following is designed to defend naval vessels against missiles?  
a. Trishul                    b. Prithvi                    c. Agni                    d. Akash
3. Which is the most expensive missile project of the government of India in the 20th century?  
a. Nag                    b. Trishul                    c. Agni                    d. Akash
4. Which of the following is a fire-and-forget anti-tank missile?  
a. Nag                    b. Agni                    c. Akash                    d. Astra
5. Nag missile is a \_\_\_\_\_ generation missile.  
a. First                    b. Third  
c. Second                    d. Fourth