INDIA SUCCESSFULLY TESTS ALL-WEATHER QUICK REACTION SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE

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NEW DELHI: <u>India</u> on Friday successfully tested an all-weather Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air <u>Missile</u> with a range of 30 kilometres completing the development trials of the weapon system.

The missile was launched from a mobile launcher at the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Chandipur in Odisha state. It successfully destroyed the target, a statement from the Defence Research and Development Organisation said.

The missile is propelled by a single stage solid propellant rocket motor and uses all indigenous subsystems. It is canisterised for transportation and launch using a mobile launcher capable of carrying 6 such missiles, the statement said.

The missile can strike an aerial target at a height of 15 km. Given that it's mounted on a mobile launcher, it can be moved from one place to another and thus evade enemy counter-attacks.

"The system is designed to give air defence coverage against strike columns of Indian Army," the statement said.

The first trial of the missile was conducted on 4 June 2017.

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