# Sleek Jets, Shaky Strategy: IAF's Vulnerabilities

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### Strategic Paralysis

Indian gambit of employing 4.5 Gen Rafales backfired, culminating in the loss of 5 jets including 3 Rafales.

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### Outmatched by PAF's Employment Concepts

PAF's employment of novel concepts such as Multidomain Operations and Spectrum Supremacy ensured aerial victory.

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### Lack of Training and Motivation

IAF pilots are trained on outdated modules, and many are demotivated especially due to greater appeal of opportunities in civil aviation.

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### Serious Setback to Indigenisation

Already delayed production of Tejas and AMCA aircraft is going to face further constraints.

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### IAF's Redeployment

Strategic paralysis led to IAF's redeployment to middle and rear bases, further exacerbating their operational vulnerabilities.

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### IAF's Post-Defeat Push for 5th-Gen Power

After the aerial defeat, IAF would desperately look for a 5th-Gen fighter and advanced weaponry from the West.

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