Following deployments in Assam, Punjab, Rajasthan and Gujarat, Jammu and Kashmir is expected to receive the S-400 ‘Sudarshan Chakra’ air defence system by February 2027. The deployment is aimed at further strengthening India’s air defence capabilities along the Pakistan border.

The S-400 is a long-range surface-to-air missile defence system capable of intercepting enemy aircraft, drones, cruise missiles and ballistic missiles at distances of up to 400 km, providing protection against multiple types of aerial threats.

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