

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION  
SURESH PASI

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Government propose to set up National Population Commission in order to control population and implement child health related policies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (c) The National Commission on Population has been constituted on 11th May, 2000 under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister.

The members of the Commission include Chief Ministers of all States and Union Territories, Central Ministers in charge of concerned Ministries and Departments. Additionally, the National Commission on Population has members, leaders of national political parties, reputed demographers and public health professional, representative from the media, NGOs and eminent experts from diverse related fields.

The National Commission on Population will review, monitor and give directions for the implementation of the National Population Policy, 2000 with view to achieve goals set out in National Population Policy. The terms of reference of the Commission is as under:-

- (i) To review, monitor and give directions for the implementation of the National Population Policy with a view to meeting the goals set out in the Policy.
- (ii) To promote inter-sectoral coordination in planning and implementation across government agencies of the Central and State Governments, to involve civil society and the private sector and to explore the possibilities of international cooperation in support of the goals set out in the Policy.
- (iii) To facilitate the development of a vigorous people`s movement in support of this national effort.