

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

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RECONSIDERATION OF NEW NATIONAL MINERAL POLICY
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some State Governments have requested the Union Government to reconsider the draft of the new national mineral policy and evolve consensus of all States on it before its consideration by the Union Cabinet.
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMMI REDDY)

(a) to (c): Some of the Chief Ministers had given a representation to Prime Minister on 31.12.2006. Their points of view were duly discussed in several meetings of their State officials and the suggestions were given due consideration. Recently the same points were again raised by some of the Chief Ministers and these were again discussed in a meeting with Central Government on 6.8.2007. The National Mineral Policy is under consideration of the Central Government.