

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:932  
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NATIONAL POLICY FOR CHILDREN  
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**Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of National Policy for Children 1974:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to revise the said policy:
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether the Government has sought any suggestions/information from the concerned agencies in this regard:
- (e) if so. The details thereof; and
- (f) the time by which the said amended policy is likely to be revised?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a)& (b): The National Policy for Children lays down that the State shall provide adequate services for children, both before and after birth and during the growing stages for their full physical, mental and social development. The measures suggested in the Policy include amongst others, a comprehensive health programme, supplementary nutrition for mothers and children, free and compulsory education for all children up to the age of 14 years, promotion of physical education and recreational activities, special consideration for children of weaker sections like SCs and STs, prevention of exploitation of children, etc.

The Government has decided to review the said policy.

(c) to (f): The Ministry of Women and Child Development is having consultations with various stakeholders to review the policy. No time Limit has been set to revise the Policy.