

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3307  
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REFORMS IN MINING SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to carry out reforms in the mining sector; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION(SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) & (b): The National Mineral Policy, 2008 has enunciated policy measures like assured right to next stage mineral concession, transferability of mineral concessions and transparency in allotment of concessions, in order to reduce delays which are seen as impediments to investment and technology flow in the mining sector in India. The National Mineral Policy, 2008 is available on the website of the Ministry of Mines (<http://mines.nic.in>).