

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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MECHANISM TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Planning Commission proposes to have a new evaluation method/mechanism to effectively monitor and implement various developmental schemes during the Eleventh Five Year Plan Period;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the likely impact of the new evaluation method/mechanism on the implementation of developmental schemes?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSION(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) & (b): The Programme Evaluation Organisation in the Planning Commission is the apex body for conducting evaluation studies on Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Government of India since 1952.

With growing demand of evaluation of developmental schemes of Government of India and in pursuance of the President of India's address to the Joint Session of both Houses of Parliament in June, 2009, the establishment of Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) has been approved by the Union Cabinet on 18th November, 2010. The IEO will assess the impact of various developmental schemes to improve their effectiveness and help Government through their findings to take mid-course corrective measures for the schemes.

(c): The IEO will strengthen the existing evaluation process by drawing the best resources available from leading research organizations. It will produce 3 to 5 State-of-the-art reports in a year. The findings of the independent evaluation will be reported to the Government of India and also be placed in the public domain. It will help in drawing lessons and improving the overall implementation of the programmes/schemes.