

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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NEW SCIENCE POLICY
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to frame a new Science Policy aimed to promote science, bring about innovation, save the eco-system and attain inclusive and sustainable growth in the country;
- (b) if so, the time by which the blue print thereof is likely to be made available;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to consult the renowned scientists and other experts in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons there for?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (ASHWANI KUMAR)

- (a) Yes Madam, the Government proposes to frame a new Science, Technology and Innovation Policy aimed at sustainable growth in the country.
- (b) The blue print is likely to be made available before September 2012.
- (c) & (d): Yes Madam, renowned scientists and other experts would be consulted before finalizing the policy document. The Government proposes to host draft policy on the websites and seek suggestions in the public domain. External consultations mechanism involving stakeholders, scientists, technocrats, industrialists, and industry Chambers is proposed.
- (e) Does not arise.