

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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Atal Innovation Mission  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has constituted any expert committee to work out the detailed contours of the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the expert Committee has submitted its report to the Government;
- (d) if so, the details of recommendations/observations made by the expert committee; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted by the said committee?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING  
AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a): Yes Madam.

(b): NITI Aayog has constituted an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Tarun Khanna, Director, South Asia Institute, Harvard University and Jorge Paulo Lemann Professor, Harvard Business School, USA, on 21st April, 2015 to work out the detailed contours of Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) and Self-Employment & Talent Utilisation (SETU). The Terms of Reference of the Expert Committee are as under:

- (i) To review the existing initiatives aimed at promoting innovation and entrepreneurship in India, especially those efforts that result in widespread job growth and the creation of globally competitive enterprises;
- (ii) To make short and medium term recommendations for actionable policy initiatives aimed at creating an innovation and entrepreneur friendly eco-system including such elements as creation of world class innovation hubs and digital SMEs and innovation driven entrepreneurship in such sectors as education and health.
- (iii) To address any other related issues.

(c): No Madam.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The Expert Committee is expected to submit its report in August, 2015.