

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:303  
ANSWERED ON:11.07.2014  
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OFFICE  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Independent Evaluation Office(IEO) set up for evaluating Government Schemes and programmes has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its major recommendations;
- (c) whether the IEO in its report has recommended for scrapping and replacing the Planning Commission with the Reforms and Solutions Commission; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a): DG (IEO) has submitted a Report titled `Reforming the Planning Commission to the Government on 29-05-2014.
- (b) & (c): The aforesaid Report inter-alia recommends that
  - (i) Finance Commission should allocate the centrally collected funds to the Central Government and to the various State Governments;
  - (ii) a Department of Planning should be created in the Ministry of Finance to apportion funds amongst the various Ministries of the Central Government to meet their capital expenses and
  - (iii) a `Reform and Solution Commission` should be established to act as a `think tank` of the Government with a dotted relationship to parliament.
- (d): As per the laid down procedure, finding of the IEO is to be placed before the Development Evaluation Advisory Committee (DEAC) of Planning Commission, to seek the comments of the implementing Ministry as well as the Planning Commission, before sending the report of the IEO together with such comments to the Honorable Prime Minister by the Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.