

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.2321  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2018**

**WORKING GROUP ON NUTRITION**

**2321. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:  
SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:  
SHRI D.K. SURESH:**

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Working Group on nutrition constituted by NITI Aayog has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof ;
- (c) if not, whether the Working Group has been given any time frame to submit its recommendations and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken all precautionary measures to safeguard against vested interests hijacking public policy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND  
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL & FERTILIZERS  
(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Question does not arise.
- (c) The Working Group on Nutrition stands dissolved after the Ministry of Women & Child Development's Notification No.ND-T-11/5/2016-ND-Tech dated 15<sup>th</sup> December,2017 constituting National Technical Board on Nutrition to examine all technical issues related to Nutrition.
- (d) and (e) Yes. It has been clearly articulated in the National Nutrition Strategy 2017 "An underlying principle of action is that policy development and programme implementation must be transparent, open to public scrutiny and kept free from conflict of interest, with requisite safeguards. (This includes ensuring that representation on policy, technical advisory groups and various management committees at different levels is free from conflict of interest.)"Chapter 5, Page 28.

-----