

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INDIAN POLICY ON IRAQ
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the current Indian Policy on Iraq;
- (b) whether India is extending support to the USA on the Iraq issue; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a, b & c) India's policy on Iraq is guided by the unanimous resolution passed by the two Houses of Parliament on 8 April 2003 and is in keeping with the objective of a peaceful, secure, sovereign and stable Iraq in which the Iraqi people have the right to decide their destiny, determine their political future and to exercise control over their natural resources. India has close and friendly relations with the people of Iraq and is committed to assist them with humanitarian aid in their reconstruction efforts.