

## **Burma Ethnic Leaders Promised A Review of India's Policy on Burma**

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28 November 2007-New Delhi: A delegation of the Ethnic Nationalities Council (ENC) made a three-day visit to New Delhi at the invitation of Indian Parliamentarian Forum for Democracy in Burma (IPFDB) from 25 November to 27 November 2007.

During its visit to India , the ENC delegation of Dr. Lian H. Sakhong, Saw David Taw, Sao Harn Yawng Hwe and Dr. Sui Khar met with political leaders, members of parliament, diplomats, civil societies, and journalists to discuss India 's policy on Burma . The delegation also presented the perspective of ethnic nationalities of Burma to the Indian public and the Government of India on issues relating to Burma and the current situation in the country.

The ENC delegation also held a meeting with the various Burmese organizations based in New Delhi . They shared with the community the purpose of their visit and the expected outcome of their meetings with the Indian government.

"Our visit to New Delhi this time can be called a success. We received promises from the Indian leaders that they will push forward a review of the Indian Government's policy toward the Burma ," said Dr. Sui Khar.

"Prominent members of the Indian Parliament and the Government of India gave us assurances that they will raise the issue of Burma in the parliamentary debate to review their current policy on Burma," added by Saw David Taw responding to a question about the outcome of their meeting with the Indian Government.

The ENC represents the seven ethnic nationalities states in Burma and has been pursuing an ultimate goal of establishing a genuine Federal Union of Burma. ENC has launched extensive lobbying and advocacy and campaigns in the UN, EU, ASEAN, and other neighboring States of Burma in cooperation with all the Burmese democratic forces.