

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1505  
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USE OF ASBESTOS CEMENTED PIPES IN DRINKING WATER PROJECTS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Asbestos Cemented (AC) pipes used for Drinking water projects is a health hazard;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a) & (b): From the available literature, there does not appear to be any health hazard from asbestos cemented pipes used for drinking water.
- (c) Does not arise