GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2619 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2009 IMPACT OF ENDOSULFAN ON HUMAN HEALTH Jeyadural Shri S. R.

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the adverse impact of endosulfan on human health;
- (b) if so, the details and the findings thereof;
- (c) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government proposes any ban on the excessive use of endosulfan in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

- (a) & (b)Yes. As per the directives of the National Human Right Commission (NHRC)5 in 2002, the National Institute of Occupational Health, Ahmedabad, an institute under Indian Council of Medical Research had conducted a survey titled `Investigation of unusual illness allegedly produced by Endosulfan exposure in Padre village of Kasargod District, North Kerala` and submitted its report to the NHRC. The summary of results of the investigation is enclosed at Annexure.
- (c) to (e) The Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.