

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4745
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CONTAMINATION OF GROUND WATER
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether contaminated ground water has affected many States in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any study has been conducted by the Government in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and outcome therefor; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The details of States affected by ground water quality problems due to contaminants such as Salinity, Fluoride, Chloride, Iron, Nitrate, etc. are given at Annexure-I.

(c)to(e): The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) with the help of other institutions had initiated a study for Metro cities. List of Metro cities for which Ground Water quality problems have been reported in the CPCB Study is enclosed at Annexure-II.

CPCB Study has suggested various measures for improvement in the quality of ground water. Key recommendations of the Study are listed at Annexure-III.