

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3438
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BAN OF COMPLETE SMOKING IN GUJARAT UNIVERSITIES
Thakor Shri Jagdish

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

- (a) whether World Lung Foundation has prepared any project to make the Universities of Gujarat tobacco free zones;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to encourage such projects in the Government hospitals also in the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) No.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) & (d) No such projects are under consideration. Government of India has notified "The Prohibition of Smoking in Public Places Rules, 2008" vide GSR No. 417(E) dated 30th May 2008, which came into force from 2nd October 2008 whereby smoking is strictly prohibited in all public places, including hospitals.