GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2085 ANSWERED ON:24.08.2012 INFERTILITY AMONG INDIAN PEOPLE Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the findings of a study which states that infertility among Indian people has increased drastically during the last five years and their sperm count has not only declined but also their quality has been affected due to genobiotics emanating from chemical industries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken/ proposed by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

- (a) & (b): Yes. The studies have revealed that the use of various types of genobiotics adversely affect the semen quality.
- (c): Government has taken steps to curb environmental pollution to check the above problem.