GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2526 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2013 NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS DUE TO LPG GEYSERS Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of a recent study which suggests that the use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) geysers in ill-ventilated bathroom in many households in the country may cause certain significant disabling neurological events;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; 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)to (c):Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has informed that as per case report entitled :Gas geyser syndrome: An important preventable cause of disabling neurological events" published in "Annals of Indian Academy of Neurology, authored by Dr. Pamela Correia, Dr. Chandrashekhar Agrawal, Dr. Rajeev Ranjan from Department of Neurology, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi, India, the use of fuel-less gas geysers in ill-ventilated bathrooms appeared to have caused unexplained neurological events in few documented cases.