

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING  
LOK SABHA**

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DEPICTION OF SMOKING SCENES  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines for compliance regarding depiction of smoking scenes in films and tele-series before extending to them permission of screening;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the status of the proposal to prohibit smoking scenes in films and tele-series at present?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI MANISH TEWARI)

(a)&(b) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in consultation with Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has issued notification No.GSR 708(E) dated 21st September, 2012 containing the guidelines for compliance regarding depiction of smoking scenes in films (Copy of Notification Annexure A).

(c) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is implementing the above notification for all films and tele-series where smoking scenes are depicted.