

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESEARCH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3630
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH MARCH, 2018**

ILL EFFECT OF SMART PHONES

3630. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

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

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the usage of smart phones by the children have ill-effect on their health and culture; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a): Yes.

(b): The Government have constituted an inter-ministerial committee to develop the exposure limits of Radio Frequency radiation, emitted from cell phone and, health based precautionary guidelines, covering children, have been developed by the committee. A study titled "Impact of Radiations from Cell Phone Towers and Cell Phone Use on Health of Pregnant Women, Neonates and Children: A Multidisciplinary Collaborative Effort" is also being done by ICMR.