

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

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has conducted any study to find out the reasons causing wide spread water borne diseases and other diseases like Dengue throughout the country including Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the main findings of such study;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received complaints regarding diversion of funds given to control such diseases by State Government of Kerala for other purposes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Whenever an outbreak occurs in any part of the country, a central team is deputed by the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) to investigate various outbreaks including water and vector-borne diseases. As per information available with Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), no single study has been conducted to find out the reasons for such outbreaks.
- (c) No.
- (d) Does not arise.