



Shri. Mansukh Mandaviya Hon'ble Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare Government of India

Subject: Micro-metals & Clinical Establishment Act 2010

Dear Sir,

Greetings on World Health Day 2022 from <u>Health Parliament</u>.

We are a research-oriented Think Tank in Healthcare with the widest possible representation from all stakeholders at the ground level. Based on ground-level work, we want to be a trusted partner for Governments and the industries when it comes to policy ideation, gap analysis, debates, and solutions to the challenges policymakers and the industry face. Our research agenda is a reflection of our values '**Real Work- Great Leaders- Right Policies**'.

As per the recent paper published in <u>Environment International</u>, micro-plastics have been found in human blood for the first time. Even as plastic pollution has increased, the effects of the proliferation of tin cans used for different beverages by leading FMCG companies often go unnoticed. These canisters, when opened, may release **micro metals** to find a way into the drinks and finally into the human body, creating another health catastrophe. Hence, it is important to conduct a study on the harm caused by canned beverages, and the same should be banned with immediate effect.

The second issue we would like to highlight, due to the proliferation of Digital Health/ Digital Consultation, the **Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation)** Act, 2010 needs a review, and the MoHFW must undertake a study to align it with developments in the healthcare sector. Health Parliament would be happy to help with the above-mentioned.

We remain at your disposal for any further information or details you may need regarding the issues highlighted.

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