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Title: Regarding setting up of a Sports University in Kerala.

SHRI BENNY BEHANAN (CHALAKUDY): Hon. Speaker, Sir, nowadays, sports is getting more popular and the new generation is highly interested and involved in sports.

Sports leads to a well-balanced mental and physical growth and also makes significant contribution to the well-being of the people in leading a healthy lifestyle.

In sports, Kerala State is also on top as compared to many other States in India. Large and popular sports facilities are there in every corner of Kerala. The State Government of Kerala is upgrading, at least, one sports facility in each district using State funds. Apart from sports training, many job opportunities are there in sports sector from ground facility maintenance, sports technology management to making score board, sports field lighting, sports media handling, sports medicine and fitness event management like IPL, ISL, sports marketing etc.

We have to create professionals in their sectors out of sportspersons who practically retire before 30 years of age. Considering the fact that Kerala has systematically been producing a large number of athletes and sportspersons, Kerala should be considered for establishing a new generation sports university with affiliated District-level sports facilities to focus on scientific training and creating new job opportunities in the sports sector. Thank you.

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