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4.	Kerala	8.50
5.	Maharashtra	1.81
6.	Orissa	7.03
7.	Tamilnadu	38.52
8.	West Bengal	215.61
9.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	42.76

(b) and (c): State Government of Maharashtra is eligible to present its proposal for conservation and management of mangroves under the scheme of 'conservation and management of Mangroves and Coral Reefs'.

Corruption in KVS

4823. SHRI B.M. BENSINKAI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in its 46th report standing committee on Human Resource Development had held that there was rampant corruption in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c): The matter is under inquiry/investigation.

Measures Undertaken for the Promotion of Sport

4824. DR. Y.S. RAJASEKHAR REDDY :
GENERAL NEVILLE FOLEY :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the measures proposed to be undertaken to make India World Class in sports particularly in Hockey;

(b) whether Government propose to have high-tech training methods and pursue relentless sports science research; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) The task of development of sports is a responsibility of National Sports Federations and Central and State Governments. The National Sports Federations hold national tournaments and championships and select sports persons and teams for taking part in international events. The development of Hockey is the sphere of the Indian Hockey Federation which is an autonomous body dealing with promotion of Hockey in the country. The Government is providing required assistance to the Indian Hockey Federation for improvement of the standard of the game. Some of the steps taken by the Government are:

- (i) spotting and nurturing talent at the young age through the Sports Authority of India and State Governments,
- (ii) assisting the federation for organizing national coaching camps, purchase of equipment, holding tournaments for the sub-juniors, juniors and seniors, holding international tournaments in the country and international exposure,
- (iii) assisting the State Governments and other sports bodies for creation of infrastructure and synthetic surfaces,
- (iv) setting up a Centre of Excellence for Hockey at Bangalore,
- (v) development of training module through an expert group.

(b) and (c): Yes, Sir. The Government is taking steps to introduce high-tech training methods in Hockey. Research in sports sciences is being continued through Sports Authority of India. The Indian Hockey Federation is being assisted for training of the national team. Besides the above, under the Scheme of scholarships for Training of Specialists and Outstanding Sports Persons in Sports, sports coaches, physical conditioning experts, sports scientists and research experts and those with excellent records in adventure sports are being sanctioned scholarship for undergoing training on latest techniques, coaching and research abroad.