GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2733 ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023

Development of Sports Infrastructure

2733. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has provided adequate funds for the development of sports infrastructure and world-class training facilities including coaching camps in foreign countries for budding sportspersons to reach international standards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the State of Maharashtra;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the construction of a multipurpose sports stadium at Thane Parliamentary Constituency for the benefit and development of sports?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS { SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR }

- (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has developed adequate sports infrastructure and world class training facilities including provisioning of funds for coaching camps in foreign countries for budding sportspersons from all over the country including from State of Maharashtra to reach international standards. This has been achieved through schemes such as Khelo India Scheme, Assistance to National Sports Federations, Target Olympic Podium Scheme and Sports Promotional schemes of Sports Authority of India.
- (c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility for development of sports rests primarily with the respective State/ Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts. Under the Khelo India Scheme, this Ministry has sanctioned 01 multipurpose hall and 01 Khelo India Centre in the Thane Parliamentary Constituency, in Maharashtra.
