

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

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SCHEME FOR PROMOTION OF SPORTS GAMES IN SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether under the scheme of Promotion of Sports and Games in Schools grant was given at the rate of Rs. 50,000 per district and Rs. 2,00,000 per State/Union Territory for holding district and State level-inter school tournaments;
- (b) if so, whether this amount has been fully utilised by the States;
- (c) if so, the extent to which this scheme has promoted the sports and games in schools;
- (d) whether her Ministry is monitoring the progress of the scheme; and
- (e) if so, the extent to which it has been fruitful?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Under the scheme of `Promotion of Sports and Games in Schools`, district and State level inter-school sports competitions are organised by the State / UTs. Government of India gives grant to the State/Union Territory Governments to organize these competitions for promoting sports and games in schools.
- (d) & (e): Yes, Sir. Since the scheme has been introduced very recently (1998-99), the interest of the State Governments/Union Territories in organising inter-school sports competitions is picking up. We have been requesting all the State/UT Governments to submit proposals seeking financial assistance for organisation of inter-school sports competitions at district and State levels every year. They are also requested to constitute District and State level Organizing Committees for this purpose. Implementation of the scheme is satisfactory.