

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1140
ANSWERED ON:01.03.2006
CENTRAL FUNDS FOR PROMOTION OF SPORTS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated to West Bengal during the last five years for promotion of sports; and
(b) the funds allocated to the schools of the State during the above period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ AND YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b): This Ministry was implementing the Centrally Sponsored Sports Infrastructure Schemes for the creation of Sports facilities at various places in the country, including schools, till 31.3.2005. Government have transferred the Sports Infrastructure Schemes to the State Sector w.e.f. 1.4.2005. Central assistance was being provided in accordance with approved pattern subject to receipt of viable proposals from the State governments including West Bengal. No State-wise funds were allocated under the Sports Infrastructure Schemes for promotion of Sports. However, the details of funds released to Government of West Bengal including Schools under the Schemes of "Grant for Creation of Sports Infrastructure" and "Grants to Rural Schools for Purchase of Sports Equipment and Development of Playground" during the last five years i.e. 2000-01 to 2004-05 have been given as under:

S. Name of the Grants released
No Schemes (Rupees in lakhs)
2000-01 2001-02 2002-03 2003-04 2004-05

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| 1. | Grants for | 0.49 | 10.00 | 28.00 | 20.07 | 49.70 |
| | Creation of | | | | | |
| | Sports | | | | | |
| | Infrastructure | | | | | |
| 2. | Grants to | 50.22 | 38.45 | 88.55 | 77.98 | 127.15 |
| | Rural Schools | | | | | |
| | for purchase | | | | | |
| | of sports | | | | | |
| | equipment and | | | | | |
| | development | | | | | |
| | of playfields | | | | | |