

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:230
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2007
PENDING PROJECTS OF COMMONWEALTH GAMES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several important projects relating to the Commonwealth Games are pending due to objections by various departments as reported in the Navbharat Times dated January 12, 2007;
- (b) if so, the details of the projects; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to resolve the disputes in order to expedite the timely completion of these projects?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.230 FOR 14.3.2007
ASKED BY SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE AND SHRI FRANCIS FANTHOMER REGARDING PENDING PROJECTS OF
COMMONWEALTH GAMES

(a) The process of seeking clearances from various agencies for the Commonwealth Games, 2010 related projects is an on-going process and any objections/clarifications raised by them are being suitably addressed by the implementing agencies concerned.

(b) The major sports infrastructure projects related to the Commonwealth Games, 2010 are: construction/up-gradation of Games Village and two Indoor Stadiums by Delhi Development Authority (DDA); Jawaharlal Nehru Complex, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Indira Gandhi Complex, Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range and S.P. Mukherjee Swimming Pool Complex by SAI; the Thyagaraj Sports Complex and Talkatora Indoor Stadium by the Government of NCT of Delhi/NDMC; and R.K. Khanna Tennis Complex by All India Lawn Tennis Association, apart from some smaller venues/training facilities at various places including Delhi University. In addition, the Government of NCT of Delhi has project proposals for a number of flyovers, bridges and roads/widening of roads etc., which are concerned with the requirements for transport and communication viz.-a-viz. the Commonwealth Games and/or with the general up-gradation of civic infrastructure in the city. These, inter-alia, include the project of the Link Road (Tunnel) from the Games Village site to the vicinity of Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium and Bye Passes at Mahipalpur and Masoodpur for improvement in airport connectivity.

(c) For expediting the required clearances, an Empowered Committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, GNCTD with representatives from all the concerned agencies/authorities to facilitate speedy clearances in respect of the games related projects, which has been meeting regularly. Another Committee has also been set up, with the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports as convener to deal with clearances pertaining to Delhi Urban Arts Commission (DUAC). All the Games related projects are expected to be completed in time for the Commonwealth Games.