

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:66
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LACK OF PREPAREDNESS AMONG SPORTS PERSONS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is lack of preparedness among sports persons preparing for the Commonwealth Games due to the apathy of the sports administrators in providing adequate facilities;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Sports Authority of India, Northern Region Centre lacks the services of a physiotherapist for the wrestlers training for the said games;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for ensuring proper training facilities for the sports persons preparing for participation in different disciplines of the commonwealth Games and ensuring a better position in the medal tally?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

- (a)&(b): No, Madam. Systematic training in India and abroad under highly qualified Indian and Foreign Coaches is being given to sportspersons for Commonwealth Games disciplines.
- (c)&(d): No, Madam. The services of a Physiotherapist have been provided for wrestlers at SAI Northern Centre, Sonapat.
- (e) The steps taken for ensuring proper training facilities for the sportspersons preparing for Commonwealth Games includes (i) deployment of highly qualified Indian and Foreign Coaches ; support personnel such as Sports Medicine Doctors; Physiotherapists; Biomechanics Experts; Sports Analysts; Masseurs; (ii) scientifically worked out diet and food supplements in consultation with nutritional experts; and (iii) better facilities at Training Centres.