

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:167

ANSWERED ON:09.03.2010

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

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

(a) whether the Government is satisfied with the progress of the ongoing construction works and other projects related to the Commonwealth Games (CG);

(b) if so, the present status on the progress made and the details of the construction work pending, project-wise;

(c) whether the Government has sought advisories on the facilities and arrangements to be provided at various sporting venues from the different sports institutions/organisations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. M.S. GILL)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 167 FOR ANSWER ON 9.3.2010 REGARDING COMMONWEALTH GAMES ASKED BY SHRI C SIVASAMI & SHRI PRASANTA KUMAR MAJUMDAR

(a) and (b) : Yes, Madam. The work at all the sports infrastructure projects for Commonwealth Games is progressing at a rapid pace and they are in an advanced stage of completion. Four stadia viz. Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Talkatora Stadium, Yamuna Sports Complex (Archery), and Dr Karni Singh Shooting Ranges have already been completed. The Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium was inaugurated on 24th Jan 2010. The Stadium is now hosting the World Cup Hockey from 28th Feb 2010 to 13th March 2010. The Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range was inaugurated on 31st Jan 2010 and the Test Event for Shooting was held here from 17th Feb 2010 to 28th Feb 2010. Both these Stadia have been acclaimed as world class stadia. The Talkatora Boxing Stadium is also complete and was inaugurated on 24th Feb 2010. It will be the venue for Commonwealth Boxing Championship from 10th March 2010 to 18th March 2010. The Archery venue at Yamuna Sports Complex has also been inaugurated on 5th March 2010, and is hosting the Archery Test Event from 7th March 2010 to 13th March 2010.

There have, however, been some instances of delay for which recovery schedules have been worked out. All the stadia will be completed well in time, for the Games. In the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, work related to the roof, tunnel, external development, and internal finishing are in process, while in the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium Complex, Dr S P M Swimming Pool Complex, Siri Fort Complex, Yamuna Sports Complex, and R K Khanna Stadium, work related mainly to Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, External Development, and some works relating to the roofs are under process.

(c) and (d) : The design and details of the various sports venues had been developed on the basis of the 'Venue Briefs' provided by the Organising Committee (OC), Commonwealth Games and the International Consultants of the OC, specialized in the field of sports.