

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

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SPECIAL DRIVE FOR COMMONWEALTH GAMES  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any special drives have been undertaken across the country for preparedness of the Commonwealth Games (CG);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of the programmes for opening and closing ceremonies for the Commonwealth Games; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government/organizing Committee to achieve the objectives of Commonwealth Games?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) : All necessary steps are being taken to complete the preparations for the games in time including completion of sports infrastructure and Conduct of the games. The Organizing Committee(OC) has been strengthened for this purpose. The Group of Ministers (GOM) and the Committee of Secretaries (COS) are monitoring all aspects of the preparation regularly.
- (c) The Concept and Theme for opening and closing ceremonies for the Commonwealth Games have been developed and preparations are underway for presentation and delivery of these Ceremonies.
- (d) All the necessary steps are being taken by the Government and the Organizing Committee for successful organization of the Commonwealth Games including construction, upgradation of Competition Venues, Non-Competition Venues, Broadcasting facilities, Transport and Security arrangements, Hotel accommodation, Technical Conduct of the Games etc.