

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to defer the 34th National Games to be held in Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there are reports of serious financial irregularities in the execution of different projects related to the said games;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken thereon;
- (e) whether the venue for the 35th National Games has been decided; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): National Games are organized and conducted by the host State Government after allotment by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA). IOA has intimated that the 34th National Games are scheduled to be held in Jharkhand from 21st November to 5th December, 2009.

(c) & (d): Execution of Projects for 34th National Games is being done by the State Government of Jharkhand. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (Department of Sports) has not provided any financial assistance to the State Government of Jharkhand for the National Games and is not monitoring the execution of projects.

(e) & (f): The 35th National Games have been allotted to the State of Kerala by Indian Olympic Association and the same are to be held in May, 2010.