

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

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SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the thrust of the Eleventh Five Year Plan is to create adequate sports infrastructure in schools and colleges;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of Central assistance provided to various States including Uttar Pradesh during the above plan for creation of sports infrastructure in schools and colleges, State-wise;
- (c) the names of the States where the State Sports Academy have been set up;
- (d) whether any plan has been prepared by the Union Government to promote sports at village level; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Government has, for the first time, introduced a centrally sponsored scheme with national coverage for the promotion of basic sports infrastructure and sports competitions in all village and block panchayats of the country. The XIth Five Year Plan outlay for this scheme, which was launched in the financial year 2008-09, is Rs.1500 crore. The scheme envisages to cover around 2.50lakh village panchayats and 6,400 block panchayats (including their equivalent units) in a phased manner over a period of 10 years at an annual coverage of 10%. The scheme is implemented through the state governments/UTs. Under the scheme, schools are original overriding for the development of playing fields.

Financial assistance is provided to the State Government/Union Territory Administrations upon submission of proposals in the prescribed format and after completion of all the requisite formalities by them. During 2008-09, financial assistance amounting to Rs.250.77 crore was sanctioned to 24 states for the creation of sports infrastructure in 22,854 villages and 601 block panchayats. Out of allocation of Rs.92.00 crore in 2008-09 budget for this scheme, Rs.92.00 crore was released to states. Budget allocation in 2009-10 is Rs.160.00 crore, out of which Rs.19.92 crore has, far, been released to States. Details of funds released State-wise under the Scheme of PYKKA are given in the annexure.

(c): Central Assistance has not been released for setting up of State Sports Academics.

(d) & (e): Same as at (a) & (b) above.