

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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EXPENDITURE DURING COMMONWEALTH GAMES

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

- (a) the number of countries participated in the Commonwealth Games;
- (b) the details of the expenditure incurred on hosting the Commonwealth Games as well as on construction/reconstruction/repair of stadia;
- (c) whether there has been time and cost overrun in the construction/reconstruction/ repair of stadia;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether complaints were made in regard to lack of proper facilities at the games venues/stadia/village; and
- (f) if so, the measures taken to address the same?

Answer

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

- (a) 71 countries participated in the Commonwealth Games, held in at Delhi in October, 2010.
- (b) A total amount of Rs.11,687 crore was approved by the Government of India for the organization of the Games. This included Rs.4459 crore for construction/renovation of Competition and Training Venues for the Commonwealth Games,2010.
- (c) & (d) : Some of the stadia could not meet the targeted Timelines for which Recovery Plan were worked out and operationalized, wherever required. These inter-alia, included increase in the number of Supervisory Staff & Labour; Increase in working hours; deployment of additional machineries; close monitoring and procurement of critical & special items to complete the work within the recovery schedule.
- (e) & (f) : There had been some shortcomings in respect of some stadia such as minor seepage, leakage, dislodging of some tiles of false ceilings and cleanliness of site/s. Remedial action was taken and all these shortcomings were redressed in time.