

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

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INCENTIVES TO MEDALISTS OF CG

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

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to double the cash awards for medals winners in the recently conducted Commonwealth Games and the next Asian Games to be held in Guangzhou;

(b) if so, the complete details thereof; and

(c) the details of the other steps proposed to be taken by the Government to encourage sports persons who participate/will be participating in such sporting events?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Ministry has already announced in October, 2010 the enhancement in the award money for winners of medals in Commonwealth Games 2010 and Asian Games, 2010 as per details given in the table below, under the Scheme of Special Awards to Medal Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches:

S Name of Gold Medal Silver Medal Bronze Medal
No the Game

Award	Existing Award Money	Enhanced Award Money	Existing Award Money	Enhanced Award Money	Existing Award Money	Enhanced Award Money
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1. Common-wealth Games 2010	Rs.10 lakhs	Rs.20 lakhs	Rs.5 lakhs	Rs.10 lakhs	Rs.3 lakhs	Rs.6 lakhs
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2. Asian Games 2010	Rs.10 lakh	Rs.20 lakh	Rs.5 lakh	Rs.10 lakh	Rs.3 lakh	Rs.6 lakh
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For winners of medals in Team events, the amount of award money will be determined as under:

(i) A Team of 2 persons 1 ½ times of individual award money

(ii) A Team of 3 or 4 persons 2 times of individual award money

(iii) A Team of 5 to 10 persons 3 times of individual award money

(iv) A Team of more than 10 persons 5 times of individual award money

The actual prize money is shared equally among team members. However, no member of the team gets less than 50% of the award money of individual medalist.

(c) Further, with the objective of providing incentives as well as an added measure of financial security to sportspersons, the medal winners of Commonwealth Games and Asian Games are eligible for monthly pension @ Rs.7000/- for Gold medalists and Rs.6000/- for silver and bronze medalists, after they attain the age of 30 years or they retire from active sports, whichever is later, under the scheme of Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons.