## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government has provided any financial/non-financial assistance for the promotion and development of sports in the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details of such assistance provided during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) the funding pattern thereof;
- (d) the number of sports persons who have been provided such assistance during the said period, State -wise including Uttar Pradesh; and
- (e) the extent to which the sports development took place in Uttar Pradesh and other States as a result thereof?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a), (b) & (c): Yes, Madam. Government is implementing "Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan" (PYKKA) Scheme from 2008-09. Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided to the States / Union Territories for developing playfields in village/block panchayats and for conducting annual sports competitions at block, district, state and national level throughout the country, including Uttar Pradesh. Details of funding pattern along with funds released under the scheme to States/UTs including Uttar Pradesh, for the last three years (2008-09 to 2010-11) and the current financial year upto 30th July, 2011 are given at Annexure-I,II,III, IV & V.

Government has also introduced a new scheme called "Urban Sports Infrastructure scheme" on pilot basis from 2010-11. Under the scheme, grants-in-aid are provided to States/UTs for up-gradation/modernization of sports facilities, players' training and development, coaching, protection and preservation of playing fields. Details of funding pattern and funds provided under the scheme during 2010-11 are given at Annexure –VI.

Sports Authority of India (SAI) runs 310 training centres across the country. Around 15,626 sports talented children/youth in the age group of 8-21 are being nurtured in the training centers. There are 24 such centres in Uttar Pradesh wherein 915 children/youth are being nurtured. Recently, three sports disciplines, namely, Athletics, Judo and Taekwondo have been additionally introduced in the SAI's Training Centre(STC), Lucknow. In addition to the above, Modern fitness centres, 100 bed AC hostel, Sports Medicine Centre and Multi-purpose Hall have been constructed in the STC, Lucknow under the infrastructure programme of CWG,2010.

- (d) Under the scheme of Special Award of Winner of Medal in International Sports events, cash award of Rs. 49.00 crore has been distributed to 1,554 sportspersons for the last three years (2008-09 to 2010-11) and upto 30th July, 2011 of the current financial year. The year-wise details are given in Annexure-VII. In addition to the above, 26 top level sportspersons having medal winning prospects in Olympic, CWG, Asian Games and other International tournaments, have been given/being given financial assistance of Rs. 12.95 crore for their training in India and abroad during the last three years (2008-09) and the current financial year upto 30th July, 2011. The year-wise details are given at Annexure-VIII.
- (e) Playfields and sports facilities are developed in phased manner in village and block panchayats across the country including Uttar Pradesh. 5,79,690 youth and children including 1,80,157 girls/women took part in the annual sports competitions held in 2010-11 in Uttar Pradesh. Indian athlete won 38 gold, 27 silver and 36 bronze medals in CWG, 2010 and 14 gold, 17 silver and 33 bronze medals won in the Asian Games, 2010.