

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

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MAINTENANCE OF SPORTS STADIA

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

- (a) whether the Supreme Court has criticized/decried the misuse of sports club and stadia set up in the country;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the various sports stadia which were repaired/renovated in the recent past for conducting international sports competitions, are in a dilapidated condition;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has worked out any plan to preserve and maintain such stadia and other sports infrastructure;
- (f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the agencies entrusted for maintenance of such stadia;
- (g) whether various stadia constructed during the Commonwealth Games have been thrown open for the use of children/students/sportspersons; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) & (b): So far as stadia complexes under Sports Authority of India (SAI) are concerned, no criticism for misuse of Sports stadia has been made by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

(c) & (d): Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium, Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Ranges, Indira Gandhi Stadium, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium and Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee Swimming Pool complexes under Sports Authority of India (SAI) are located in Delhi. These stadia were re-developed for conduct of Commonwealth Games-2010 at a total cost of Rs.2154 crore. These stadia are being regularly maintained and are in good condition.

(e) & (f): All these five stadium complexes have been protected through deployment of agencies sponsored by Directorate General of Resettlement, Ministry of Defence. Round the clock security through Security Guards/ Supervisors are provided. Further, these complexes are being maintained by CPWD. Arrangements for annual repair and maintenance covering Civil, Electrical and Horticulture have been made through CPWD. Cleaning and scavenging arrangements have also been made through New Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC) for Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium and Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee Swimming Pool Complex, for the other three stadium complexes Sports Authority of India (SAI) is managing these services through its own employees.

(g) & (h): SAI has launched a "Come & Play" scheme in phases in its five stadia complex for Athletic, Basketball, Hockey, Cricket, Football, Volleyball, Judo, Weightlifting, Cycling, Badminton, Gymnastic, Table Tennis, Boxing, Shooting, Swimming, Wrestling etc. which has received a very good response from the public and presently there are almost 12000 trainees getting coaching in the SAI stadia in Delhi.