GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5311 ANSWERED ON:06.09.2011 STATUS OF SPORTS IN STATES Singh Shri Dhananjay

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

(a) whether the Government has noticed that the performance of sports in various States are not satisfactory;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study in this regard;

(d) if so, the finding of such study; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for improving the performance of sports in the country, sports, discipline-wise?

Answer

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

(a) &(b): No, Madam. Sports is a State subject. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports does not maintain data with regard to performance of sports in different States.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Question does not arise.

(e) Since Sports is a State subject, the responsibility for promotion and development of sports in States is that of respective State Governments. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the concerned States to find out the reasons if they consider their performance below par in sports and to take measures aimed at improving their performance in sports.

However, for complementing the efforts of States in promotion and development of sports, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and Sports Authority of India(SAI) are operating a number of schemes viz. Scheme of Panchayat Yuva Krida aur Khel Abhiyan(PYKKA), Scheme of Assistance for the Creation of Urban Sports Infrastructure, Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs), Scheme of Talent Search & Training, Scheme of National Sports Development Fund, Scheme of Special Awards to Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches, Scheme of Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons, Scheme of National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons, National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Scheme, Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC) Scheme, SAI Training Centres (STC) Scheme, Special Area Games (SAG) Scheme and Centres of Excellence (COX) Scheme.