

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

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EXPANSION OF SCOUTING AND GUIDING SCHEME
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has expanded the Scouting and Guiding Scheme like National service Scheme in school and colleges for inculcating values of discipline, patriotism, brotherhood, secularism etc. in the minds of young boys and girls;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the budget earmarked for the purpose during the 11th Five Year Plan;
- (d) whether adequate funds have been allocated/released to the various States for the purpose;
- (e) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Under the scheme of Scouting and Guiding, financial assistance is provided for various activities such as organization of scouting and guiding camps, training programmes, National integration, preservation of cultural heritage, monitoring and evaluation of Scouting and Guiding activities. At present there is no proposal under consideration to expand the Scouting and Guiding Scheme.
- (c) An amount of Rs.12.50crores have been earmarked during the 11th Five Year Plan for selected activities of Scouting and Guiding.
- (d) Under the scheme funds are provided only to the National Headquarter of Bharat Scouts & Guides on year to year basis. No financial assistance is being provided for Scouting and Guiding at State level.
- (e) & (f) Rs.1.80 crore,Rs.1.50 crore and Rs.2.00 crore were released during the year 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 respectively to Bharat Scouts & Guides. No funds have so far been released during the current financial year due to non- receipt of utilization certificate, Audited Statement of Accounts, Performance Reports.