GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1340 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2011 NATIONAL GAMES Dhanaplan Shri K. P.

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

(a) the venue selected for hosting the next National Games in the country;

(b) the present status of preparation for organising/conducting the said National Games;

(c) whether the Government is satisfied with the level of preparation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the funds sanctioned/released alongwith other sports facilities being provided by the Government for conducting the National Games?

Answer

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

(a) Kerala is to host the next National Games.

(b) to (d) The responsibility for conduct of the National Games is that of State Government hosting the National Games and the Indian Olympic Association. Government of Kerala has informed that for the successful conduct of the National Games, 31 venues have been identified which are spread over 7 districts in Kerala. The projects now being taken up are as follows:

Renovation / up-gradation of Stadia - 16

New construction - 7

Temporary overlays - 7

Greenfield Stadia - 1

The ongoing projects are expected to be completed in 4 phases:

Phase - 1 Scheduled to be operational by 31-12-2011

Phase - 2 Scheduled to be Operational 31-03-2012

Phase - 3 Scheduled to be Operational 30-09-2012

Phase - 4 Completion expected beyond 30-09-2012

The renovation / up-gradation and new construction projects have achieved notable progress. The State Government and the National Games Secretariat, constituted purely for the conduct of the National Games are closely evaluating the progress of implementation.

(e)The Government of India has approved additional central assistance (ACA) of Rs. 110 crore, which is 50% of the total cost for the projects concerning National Games, estimated by the central team which visited Kerala in May, 2010. Out of the approved total ACA of Rs. 110 crore, first installment of Rs. 55 crore has been released to Government of Kerala. Further, the Government of Kerala has received the following assistance from the Central Government:

i)Jimmy George Indoor Stadium, Thiruvananthapuram -Rs. 1.00 Crore.

ii)KWA Swimming Pool, Thiruvananthapuramâ€"Rs.1.50 Crore.

iii)Conduct of National Games -Rs. 3.00 Crore.

iv)Completion of District Sports Council Complex at Attingal - Rs. 2.28 Crore. Thus, the Government of Kerala has received funds to

the tune of Rs. 62.78 crore from the Government of India.