

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

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

- (a) whether there is any existing policy which regulates the announcement of gifts and cash prizes for all the sports/games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to formulate any such policy so that players/teams of various sports are rewarded equally and there is no feeling of discontent amongst them as has been seen recently amongst hockey players after they won the Asian Champions Trophy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e) There is already a scheme of the Government titled "Scheme of Special Awards to Medal winners in International sports events and their Coaches for giving Cash Awards to Sportspersons and Coaches". Cash awards are given to the sportspersons as per the award money indicated in the table below:

Name of event	Gold Medal First Position	Silver Medal Second Position	Bronze Medal Third Position
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(a) Seniors

(i) Olympic Games    Rs. 50 lakh    Rs. 30 lakh    Rs. 20 lakh

(ii) Asian Games    Rs. 20 lakh    Rs. 10 lakh    Rs. 6 lakh  
Commonwealth Games

(ii) World Championships  
in the disciplines  
of Olympic Games,  
Asian Games and  
Commonwealth Games

Asian Championships    Rs. 3 lakh    Rs. 2 lakh    Rs. 1 lakh  
/Commonwealth

Championships

(b) World Championships (Juniors & Sub-Juniors)

(i) Juniors Rs. 2 lakhs Rs. 1.5 lakhs Rs. 1 lakh

(ii) Sub-Juniors Rs. 1 lakh Rs. 80,000 Rs. 60,000

Commonwealth Championships (Juniors and Sub-Juniors)

(i) Juniors Rs. 1 lakh Rs. 80,000 Rs. 60,000

(ii) Sub-Juniors Rs. 50,000 Rs. 40,000 Rs. 30,000

For team events, the amount of award money is dependent on the number of players in the team. However, in no case, the award money payable to a player of the medal winning team is less than half of the award money payable to an individual medal winner.

The amount of award money payable to coaches is 50% of the award money payable to the sports person.

The amount of award money payable to sports persons is uniform across the various sports disciplines.