

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:191  
ANSWERED ON:27.03.2012  
ASSISTANCE FOR SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE  
Mishra Shri Govind Prasad

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

- (a) the financial assistance provided for the construction of stadia and other works for the development of sports infrastructure during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the assistance has now been discontinued, and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to reintroduce the said assistance for construction of sports infrastructure;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time by which action is likely to be taken in this regard; and
- (e) if not, the measures contemplated to encourage sports activities in schools/colleges?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 191 FOR 27/03/2012 REGARDING ASSISTANCE FOR SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE BY SHRI GOVIND PRASAD MISHRA, HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

(a) 'Sports' being the state subject, creation of sports infrastructure is the responsibility of the State Governments. However, Union Government is supplementing the State Governments through various schemes/central assistance.

Under the Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme (USIS), which has been introduced in 2010-11 on pilot basis, Rs. 37.42 crore has been provided to State Governments upto 29.2.2012 for creation/upgradation/ modernization of sports infrastructure i.e. construction of multi-purpose hall, laying of synthetic surface for hockey ground, football ground and athletic track including for training of coaches and preservation of playing spaces/playfields. Under the Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA) scheme, Rs.730.40 crore has been provided to the State Governments from 2008-09 to 2010-11 and the current year upto 29.2.2012, for development of playfields in village/block panchayats and for holding annual sports competitions at block/district, state and national level.

Massive sports infrastructure facilities were created/upgraded to the level of International standards for staging the Commonwealth Games, 2010 in and around Delhi. A budget provision of Rs. 3732.72 crore was made for this purpose. Additional Central Assistance of Rs.67 crore and Rs.110 crore were given to the Government of Jharkhand and Government of Kerala for creation and development of sports infrastructure for the conduct of 34th National Games and 35th National Games, respectively.

(b) No, Madam.

(c) & (d) Do not arise.

(e) The PYKKA scheme provides for strengthening the sports infrastructure in schools and linking the community sports as an integration of physical education and sports with school education. School playgrounds are given overriding priority in the selection of PYKKA playfields for promotion of community sports beyond school hours. More than 75% of the PYKKA playfields are located in schools. Sports competitions are conducted annually at block/district, state and national level wherein the participants are mainly from the schools. Under the USIS, Government colleges and Universities are provided grants-in-aid to develop sports infrastructure facilities.

Sports Authority of India (SAI) is running various training centre, mostly in schools across the country and nurturing about 15,000 boys and girls in different sports disciplines. Recently, an STC Centre of SAI has been sanctioned for North Eastern Hill University, Shillong with elaborate sports infrastructure such as hostels, multi-purpose indoor hall, archery ground and other play facilities. Under National Sports Development Fund, Rs.2.27 crore was sanctioned in 2009 for creation of sports infrastructure in 10 colleges in Dibrugarh district, Assam.

Under 'Legacy Plan of Commonwealth Games, Delhi-2010, sports infrastructure facilities were created/upgraded with the Central

Assistance of around Rs. 9 crore in 18 schools/colleges in and around Delhi during 2009-10 and 2010-11.

Grant-in-aid of Rs.5.39 crore has been provided to Association of Indian Universities (AIU) during 2009-10 and 2010-11 for organizing Inter-University tournaments in India, coaching camps and for participation in Inter-University tournaments abroad.