

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to implement any special programme for the promotion of sports and employment to sportspersons during the XIIth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of unemployed State level sportspersons in the country, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of the schemes/ programmes chalked out by the Government to provide employment to these sportspersons?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): For promotion of sports during 12th Five Year Plan, the Government will continue to implement the schemes put into effect during 11th Plan. As regards employment to sportspersons, there is no plan to implement any special scheme during 12th Five Year Plan, as there is already a provision of 5% of direct recruit vacancies in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' posts being reserved for meritorious sportspersons in Central Government offices.
- (c): The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports does not maintain data about the number of unemployed sportspersons.
- (d): As stated in reply to parts (a) and (b) above, there is already a provision of 5% of direct recruit vacancies in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' posts being reserved for meritorious sportspersons in Central Government offices.