GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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COACHES AND SELECTORS FOR HOCKEY
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether coaches and selectors for hockey hold honorary positions and are not entitled for salary for their services;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to pay coaches and selectors as per the model followed in foreign countries where coaches are paid and treated as professionals and to make them more responsible and accountable; and

(d) the funds allocated for hockey as compared to other sports during the XIth and XIIth Five Year Plan period?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) No Madam. The selection of the sportspersons for participation in various international sports events is the responsibility of the concerned National Sports Federation (NSF). As per the Government guidelines, the Selection Committee must consist of the President of the NSF as Chairperson with National Coach and one eminent sportsperson as its Members. Since, the Selection Committee is formed by the NSF, the Government does not pay any honorarium or salary to the selectors.

As regards Coaches, they are either appointed by the State Governments, Sports Authority of India (SAI) or the concerned NSF. Remuneration is paid to them by their respective employer.

(d) No funds are allocated for any particular sport. The Government, as per its guidelines, provides financial assistance to the NSFs to supplement their efforts for holding national/international sports events in India, participation of sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad, training/coaching of national level sportspersons/teams through Indian and foreign coaches, procurement of equipment and consumables as per agreed Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) with the NSFs.