GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any review regarding the role of Sports Federations/Institutions engaged in promoting Indoor and Outdoor Sports in the country;
- (b) if so, the outcome of such review;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) to (b) No, Madam. The primary responsibility for the promotion and development of various sports disciplines vests in the National Sports Federation (NSF) concerned. 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.
- (c) & (d) Sports Federations are autonomous bodies and Government, gives recognition to National Sports Federations after satisfying itself of various conditions, such as, holding of fair and transparent elections, age and tenure guidelines, prevention of fraud of age and sexual harassment of sportspersons and thereafter provides financial assistance as per the norms of Scheme of "Assistance to National Sports Federations". National Sports Federations who do not adhere to the guidelines laid down for them or any serious irregularities are found in their functioning, appropriate action as deemed fit is taken by Government.