

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote winter sports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the high altitude places identified in the hilly States of the country for the purpose; and
- (d) the funds allocated to these States for promotion of winter sports during each of the last three years?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Madam, the primarily responsibility for the promotion of a sport rests with the concerned recognized National Sports Federation (NSF). Government supplements the efforts of the NSF by providing financial assistance to the NSFs for procurement of equipment and consumables, 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, as per agreed Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) with the NSFs. For winter sports, the concerned NSF is Winter Games Federation of India.

(c) It is for the NSF to identify the State/place to hold a sporting event.

(d) Government does not make State-wise allocation of funds.