

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

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

- (a) whether the international and national level sportspersons and coaches are awarded and honoured by the Government;
- (b) if so, the names of the schemes under which such awards are provided during each of the last three years and the current year, sports discipline-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to provide any additional assistance/incentives to such sportspersons and coaches; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Financial incentives are provided to the medal winners and their coaches in international sports events under the provisions of the 'Scheme of Special Awards to Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches'.

Further, the Government confers the following Awards on the sportspersons and coaches in recognition and appreciation of their achievements and contributions in the field of sports:

Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award for most spectacular performance and outstanding performance;

(ii) Arjuna Awards for outstanding performance in sports and games;

(iii) Dronacharya Award for outstanding coaches in sports and games;

(iv) Dhyan Chand Award for life time achievement in sports and games; and

(c) No, Madam.

(d) The question does not arise.