

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:250

ANSWERED ON:11.12.2012

FUNDS TO YOUTH CLUBS

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

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(a) the details of the funds provided by the Government to the youth clubs functioning under the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government is aware that many of the said clubs are reportedly nonexistent /non-functional/inactive but are receiving funds;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the number of such cases reported along with the action taken by the Government against the officials involved in such irregularities; and

(d) the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) To (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 250 FOR 11.12.2012 ASKED BY SHRI NARAHARI MAHATO AND SHRI MANOHAR TIRKEY REGARDING FUNDS TO YOUTH CLUBS.

(a) The Government of India through Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) provides financial assistance to youth clubs. A sum of Rs. 99.60 lacs, Rs.655.30 lacs and Rs. 254.00 lacs was provided by NYKS to the youth clubs during the years 2009-10, 2011-12 and the current year. No funds were released during the year 2010-11. The Govt. of India during the year 2011-12 has revised the scheme to strengthen the network of youth clubs namely Mentor Youth Club (MYC). The objective is to build a strong and effective network of youth clubs in the country. As such Mentor Youth Clubs work to make non functional/ inactive clubs active, provide support and guidance to youth clubs and develop a strong& dependable network of self supporting/self reliant youth clubs. Under the scheme, 10,000 Mentor Youth Clubs are being set up in 5000 blocks of the country. Each of these Mentor Youth Club is being provided a onetime grant of Rs. 10,000/- for development of infrastructure. 20,000 office bearers of these 10,000 Mentor Clubs are being provided five day long capacity building training to enhance their understanding about effective planning, management and administration of Youth Clubs so that they become active partners in village development programme. The State wise details of funds provided to the youth clubs during the last three years and current financial year are given at Annexure.

(b)to(d): The funds are released by NYKS to the youth clubs, as per the prescribed procedure. A mapping exercise was conducted by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) in the year 2011 to verify/quantify the number of youth clubs block wise, village wise, district wise, State wise and at the national level, so that no non- existent/non- functional club receives any fund. A fresh exercise is being conducted by NYKS to update the information/particulars of youth clubs which is likely to be completed by 31st December, 2012.