

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

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ACTION PLAN FOR FORTHCOMING OLYMPIC GAMES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for the better performance and ranking in the next Commonwealth Games and Olympic Games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has appointed foreign coaches and provided international level sports facilities for each sports discipline;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the names of the sports included in the Olympic games; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Future Plan of Action aiming at 2020 Olympic Games with intermediate milestones for Asian Games (2014 & 2019), Commonwealth Games (2014 & 2018) and 2016 Rio Olympic Games has already been initiated and probable athletes/teams are being put under intense training. The allocation for the focus sports disciplines has been substantially enhanced in 2013-14 and junior sportspersons in these sports are being given special attention.

(c) to (e) Yes, Madam. The Government has appointed 17 foreign coaches and 02 sparring partners for training of Indian Sportspersons in various disciplines as per details given below:

(i) Athletics-4, (ii) Basketball-1, (iii) Badminton-5, (iv) Boxing-1, (v) Hockey Men/Women-2 (vi) Squash Rackets-1, (vii) Shooting-1, (viii) Tennis-1, (ix) Wrestling (Men/Women)-3.