

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

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DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS
Panda Shri Baijayant

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

- (a) Whether special attention for promotion of sports like fencing, gymnastic and sailing is being given by the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reason therefor and the steps taken by the Government to promote these sports?

Answer

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

(a)to(c) Madam, development and promotion of various disciplines of sport including fencing, gymnastics and sailing is the responsibility of the relevant National Sports Federations (NSFs) concerned which are autonomous in their functioning. The Government only supplements the efforts of the NSFs by way of providing financial assistance for participation in international competitions abroad, holding international competition in India, conducting national championships, purchase of equipments, conduct of coaching camps, hiring of foreign coaches etc under the Scheme of "Assistance to the National Sports Federations." The details of funds provided under the said scheme to Gymnastic Federation of India (GFI), Yachting Association of India(YAI) and Fencing Association of India(FAI) during the last three years and current year (upto January, 2013) is as below:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of the Federation	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
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GFI	87.80	18.43	636.00	-
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YAI	147.85	85.95	255.00	50.38
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FAI	30.56	174.06	36.06	9.00
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