

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6

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PANCHAYAT YUVA KRIDA AUR KHEL ABHIYAN

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage sports at Panchayat level and has started 'Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan' (PYKKA) for mass participation in sports by the rural people;

(b) if so, the details and implementation status thereof during the 11th and 12th Plan period; and

(c) the funds released and spent to each State under PYKKA, year-wise including Andhra Pradesh along with the results yielded in rural areas so far?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam.

(b)&(c) The Central Government has been running a scheme called Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA), to promote sports in the rural areas of the country. The scheme was introduced in 2008-09, it aims to development of playfields in all the village and block panchayats across the country in a phased manner of 10 years and conduct of annual sports competitions from block to the national level for providing ample opportunity of participation to rural youth. Till 31st March, 2013 total 60421 village panchayats and 1852 block panchayats have been approved under the PYKKA scheme and 1.44 Crore (approx.) men and women have participated in the annual rural competitions. At present, the PYKKA Scheme is under revision. Details, implementation status and year-wise funds released to States under the PYKKA Scheme along with results yielded are placed at Annexures I to IV.