

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

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PREPARATIONS FOR NEXT OLYMPIC  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has chalked out any action plan for better performance and for getting madals by Indian sports persons in Olympic Games to be held in the year 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the names of the Indian sports included in Olympic Games along with the efforts being made by the Government to promote these sports; and
- (d) the details of the facilities being provided at Ministry level by the Government to the sports persons?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d) : Preparation of sportspersons and teams for major international sports events including Olympic Games, is an ongoing process. Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) and Annual Calendar of Training & Competitions (ACTCs) are prepared and finalized in consultation with the concerned National Sports Federations (NSFs) and experts from the relevant fields. Training and competition exposure is being provided to the sportspersons in accordance with LTDPs and ACTCs.

Government has already initiated preparations for Olympic Games, 2020 with intermediate milestones of Asian Games (2014 & 2019), Commonwealth Games (2014 & 2018) and Rio Olympic Games, 2016. Identification of sportspersons, their training, provision of expert coaches and support personnel, foreign exposures, scientific support, etc. are part of such preparations.

Assistance is provided under various schemes of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and the Sports Authority of India (SAI) for promotion of indigenous sports like archery, hockey and wrestling included in the Olympic Games. Under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, grant of Rs. 7.80 crore for archery, Rs. 26.74 crore for hockey and Rs. 16.50 crore for wrestling has been released during last three years. Training in these games is also provided under various schemes of SAI. Financial assistance upto Rs. 5.00 crore is provided for hockey turf under the Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme (USIS).

These three disciplines are also included in the 20 permissible sports disciplines for conduct of sports competitions under the Scheme of Panchayat Yuva Krida aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA).