

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

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR COMMONWEALTH GAMES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has provided/proposes to provide additional funds for the Commonwealth Games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the manner in which the additional funds are likely to be spent;
- (d) whether the Commonwealth Games is likely to generate revenue including from advertisements/television rights/tickets sales/merchandise sale etc.;and
- (e) if so, the details of revenue likely to be generated therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The total budget earmarked for the Conduct of the Commonwealth Games has been enhanced by the Government from Rs. 767 crore to Rs. 1620 crore.
- (c) The additional funds are likely to be spent by the Organizing Committee(OC),CG-2010 on the new items like Accreditation, City Operations, Sponsorship & T.V. Rights, Security, Sustainability & Environment, Ticketing which were not projected by the OC in their initial budget and also on those items for which there have been a change in the scope of work such as Accommodation, Catering, Opening & Closing Ceremonies, Protocol & CGF Relations, Queen's Baton Relay, Technology etc.
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. The Organizing Committee has estimated that it would generate revenue of around Rs. 1708 crore from International/Domestic Broadcasting; Sponsorship; Ticketing; Licensed Merchandise, Donations etc.