

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

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JUNIOR MEN WORLD CUP HOCKEY
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to host Junior Men World Cup Hockey-2013 (JMWCH-2013) in New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the list of participating countries and the amount earmarked in this regard;
- (c) the present status of the preparedness for JMWCH-2013;
- (d) whether Team Hockey India is contesting in JMWCH-2013; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government for the best performance of the team in JMWCH-2013?

Answer

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

(a) Madam, promotion and development of a sport discipline, including organizing various events, is the primary responsibility of the concerned National Sports Federation (NSF). The international sporting events are allotted by the international body of the concerned sport discipline to the body affiliated to it in the country. Hosting of Junior Men's World Cup Hockey-2013 has been allotted by the International Hockey Federation (FIH) to be hosted by Hockey India (HI). The Government of India has accorded its permission from sports angle to hold the event in India and to invite foreign teams from the participating countries.

(b) to (e): The teams from all the member countries affiliated to FIH such as Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, England, Spain, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Korea, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan and South Africa etc. are likely to participate in the event.

Hockey India has informed that Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi has been booked for holding the event.

As per the norms of the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, the maximum admissible grant provided by the Government to the recognized National Sports Federations for hosting such an international event is Rs. 10.00 lakh.

As per the Annual Calendar of Training and Competition (ACTC) submitted by Hockey India to the Sports Authority of India(SAI)the preparation of the Indian team for the event is in progress which includes training under Indian and foreign coaches in training camps organized by SAI, foreign exposure, participation in international tournaments abroad, scientific training etc.