

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

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to intervene in the functioning of various sports federations in view of the poor performance of Indian sports persons in International and National events; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) National Sports Federations are autonomous bodies which are responsible and accountable for the overall management, regulation, promotion and development of their concerned discipline. The Government supplements their efforts through financial assistance for holding national/international sports events in India, training and participation of Indian sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad, engagement of Indian and foreign coaches and procurement of equipment. The Government does not interfere in their day-to-day activities. However, federations are grouped under 'priority', 'general' and 'others' category on the basis of performance in the sport and importance of the sport and funded in that order in order to encourage better performance.