

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4090
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MALKHAMB GAME
Scindia Smt. Yashodhara Rajee

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include Malkhamb game in the sports discipline selected for the national games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Decisions on matters relating to inclusion of specific sports disciplines in the National Games are taken by Indian Olympic Association (IOA). IOA was consulted regarding inclusion of Malkhamb game in the National Games. IOA has informed that as of now there is no proposal from Malkhamb Federation of India to include Malkhamb in the National Games.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.