

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

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PROMOTION OF SPORTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to encourage other sports besides cricket in the various States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the cash incentive given by the Government to the players playing various sports including Football, Hockey, Badminton, Lawn Tennis and Cricket;
- (d) the reasons for paying special attention to Cricket in comparison to other sports activities; and
- (e) the total amount spent by the Government for promotion of various sports during the last five years and State-wise, sport-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The primary responsibility for the development and promotion of a sport discipline rests with the concerned recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs). The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has been extending support to NSFs to supplement their efforts for improving the level of sports through the 'Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations'. Under the Scheme, the Government supplements the efforts of the NSFs by providing financial assistance to the NSFs for procurement of equipment and consumables, holding national/international sports events in India, participation of sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad and training/coaching of national level sportspersons/teams through Indian and foreign coaches as per the agreed Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) with the NSFs. Assistance under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs is provided to NSFs of various sports disciplines except cricket.

The MYAS has also been assisting the State Governments under its schemes, Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA) and Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme (USIS). PYKKA aims at providing playfields in all village panchayats and block panchayats in a phased manner over a period of 10 years and organizing sports competitions at block, district, State and National levels in various sports disciplines. Under USIS the Ministry provides assistance to the States for laying of synthetic hockey field / athletic track / football turf and for construction of multipurpose halls.

(c): Cash Awards to the medal-winners in international sports events such as Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championships, Asian Championships and Commonwealth Championships (both for men and women) are given as under in terms of the provisions of the Scheme of 'Special Awards to medal winners in international sports events and their coaches'.

Name of event	Gold Medal/ First Position	Silver Medal/ Second Position	Bronze Medal/ Third Position
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(a) Seniors

(i) Olympics Games Rs.50 lakhs Rs.30 lakhs Rs.20 lakhs

(ii) Asian Games

/Commonwealth Games Rs.20 lakhs Rs. 10 lakhs Rs.6 lakhs

(iii) World Championships

Rs.10 lakhs Rs.5 lakhs Rs.3 lakhs
in the disciplines
of Olympic Games,
Asian Games and
Commonwealth Games

(iv) Asian Rs.3 lakhs Rs.2 lakhs Rs.1 lakhs
Championships/
Commonwealth
Championships

(b) World Championships (Juniors & Sub-Juniors)

Name of event	Gold Medal/ First Position	Silver Medal/ Second Position	Bronze Medal/ Third Position
(i) Juniors	Rs. 2 lakhs	Rs. 1.5 lakhs	Rs. 1 lakh
(ii) Sub-Juniors	Rs. 1 lakh	Rs. 80,000	Rs. 60,000

(c) Asian and Commonwealth Championships (Juniors & Sub Juniors)

(i) Juniors	Rs. 1 lakhs	Rs. 80,000	Rs. 60,000
(ii) Sub-Juniors	Rs. 50,000	Rs. 40,000	Rs. 30,000

(d): No special attention is paid to Cricket. In fact, most of the assistance provided by the MYAS goes to non-cricketing sports.

(e): The amount of grants given to National Sports Federations (NSFs) sports discipline-wise under the scheme of Assistance to NSFs is at Annexure-I, State-wise grants under PYKKA Scheme are at Annexure II & III and State-wise grants under USIS Scheme are at Annexure -IV.