

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

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

- (a) the details of stadiums in the country which are maintained by the Government;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any review regarding the number of days the said stadiums are being used for their earmarked purpose;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to increase the utilisation of such stadiums; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) "Sports" is a State subject. The Union Government does not maintain data regarding the Sports stadia, maintained by the State Governments. However, in Delhi, five stadia, viz., Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Maj. Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Indira Gandhi Stadium, Dr. Syama Prasad Mukherjee Swimming Pool Complex and Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Ranges are maintained by Sports Authority of India an autonomous body under the Ministry.

(b) to (e): The said 5 stadia are being utilized for implementation of various SAI Schemes, Community Connect Scheme, Come & Play Scheme and National Coaching Camps and sports competitions on regular basis. Apart from this, matter was reviewed for optimal utilization of the said stadia and the said stadia are also been used for sports activities and Non-Sports events like cultural events, food festivals, seminars, recruitment tests, etc. as per details given in the Annexure.

Further, Cycling academy has been opened in Indira Gandhi Stadium and Swimming academy has been opened in Dr. Syama Prasad Mukherjee Swimming Pool Complex for providing training to Sports persons.