

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

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Implementation of NSTSS

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated new scheme namely National Sports Talent Search Scheme (NSTSS) and if so, the salient features thereof;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/released under the scheme and the expenditure incurred by various States during 2015-16, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of criteria fixed for allocation of funds to States and the achievement made so far under the scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has established sports infrastructure for the students/children selected under the Scheme and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the extent to which the said scheme has been able to achieve its objectives in the first six months of its introduction in various States?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes Madam. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has formulated the National Sports Talent Search Scheme (NSTSS) through which talented sportspersons will be identified and nurtured so as to enable them to participate in National and International Sports events, win medals and bring laurels to the country. The guidelines for implementation of the scheme have been issued to all States/UTs on 20.02.2015. Salient features of the Scheme are given in Annexure – I.
- (b) The scheme is proposed to be implemented from the current financial year. No funds have been released under the Scheme so far.
- (c) The details of criteria fixed for allocation of funds to States is given in Annexure – II. Since the Scheme is proposed to be implemented from the current financial year, no achievement has been made so far under the Scheme.
- (d) There is no provision for establishment of sports infrastructure under the NSTSS.
- (e) Since the Scheme is proposed to be implemented from the current financial year, the same has not been introduced in any State so far.