

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

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SPORTS REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN SPORTS SECTOR

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to constitute a sports commission for redressal of the problems of youths being faced by them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to establish a Sports Regulatory Authority to mediate between National Sports Federation and other stakeholders including players to resolve various issues relating to functioning of sports activities like providing of funds, mismanagement in election process etc.;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the present status thereon; and
- (e) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to make India as a major sports hub and to involve Public Private Partnership (PPP) in the field of sports?

Answer

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

(a) No, Madam.

(b) Madam, 'Sports' is a State subject. Promotion & development of sports including setting up of a grievance redressal mechanism, is the responsibility of the concerned National Sports Federation (NSF) and the State Governments. However, Government has laid down guidelines for NSFs for redressing the grievances relating to prevention of sexual harassment of women athletes, selection of players, prevention of age fraud, etc. The Guidelines of 2001 laid down the principles, which now stand subsumed in the National Sports Development Code of India (NSDCI) 2011. The guidelines aim at protection of sportspersons' interests and their welfare, and quick and impartial redressal of their grievances.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Efforts are made on an ongoing basis to make India a major sports hub. Government also favours PPP in the field of sports wherever feasible.