GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the cash incentive being provided by the Government to the sportspersons engaged in different sports, disciplines like Football, Hockey, Badminton, Lawn Tennis and Cricket etc.;
- (b) the details of daily allowances remuneration/other incentives paid by the Government/National Sports Federations to sportspersons representing the country during each of the last three years and the current year, sports discipline-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed the said allowances/ remuneration paid to the said sportspersons;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has received any requests for increasing the allowances paid to the said sportspersons; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

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

(a) Incentive in the form of cash awards under the scheme of Special Awards to Medal Winners in Sports Events and their Coaches is given to medal winners and their coaches in international events such as Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, Paralympics, Para-Asian Games, World Championships, Asian Championships and Commonwealth Championships, as under:

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Name of the sports event Gold Medal Silver medal Bronze Medal
(i) Olympics Games Rs.50 lakhs Rs.30 lakhs Rs.20 lakhs
(ii) Asian Games/ Rs.20 lakhs Rs. 10 lakhs
                                                       Rs. 6 lakhs
Commonwealth Games
(iii) World Champion- Rs.10 lakhs Rs. 5 lakhs Rs.3 lakhs
ships (Senior)
(iv) Asian and Common-Rs.3 lakhs Rs.2 lakhs Rs.1.5 lakhs
wealth Championships
(Senior)
(v) World Champion- Rs.2 lakhs Rs. 1.5 lakhs Rs.1 lakhs
ships (Junior)
(vi) Asian and Common-Rs. 1 lakhs Rs. 80,000.00 Rs.60,000.00
wealth Championships
(Junior)
(vii) World Champion- Rs. 1 lakhs Rs. 80,000.00 Rs.60,000.00
ships (Sub-Junior)
(viii) Asian and Common-Rs. 50,000.00 Rs. 40,000.00 Rs.30,000.00
wealth Championships
(Sub-Junior)
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Medal winners in team events are given cash awards taking into consideration the strength of the team but it is ensured that a team member does not get less than half of the award money payable to a medal winner in an individual event.

- (b)& (c) For the participation of Indian sportspersons and teams in international sports events approved by the Ministry at cost to the Government, the Ministry meets the expenditure towards airfare, visa fee, overseas medical insurance, daily allowance, boarding & lodging, competition entry fee etc. Daily allowance is provided at following rates:
- (i) When boarding &lodging is provided by the Organizers free of cost, 25 % of daily allowance as per Government of India rates.
- (ii) When National Sports Federation makes its own arrangements for loading and boarding, ceiling of US \$ 75 per person per day for lodging and daily allowance as per Government of India guidelines
- (iii) When the organizers making arrangements for boarding and lodging on payment, rates indicated for twin share accommodation in the brochure issued by organizers to be allowed for lodging and 25% of daily allowance as per Government of India rates

(d) & (e) Requests were made by sportspersons taking part in Commonwealth Games 2014 and Asian Games 2014 for enhancing daily allowance/out of pocket allowance from US \$ 25 per day per person to US \$ 50 per day person. Taking into consideration their requests, the Ministry approved payment of out of pocket allowance @ US \$ 50 per day person to sportspersons and coaches and @ US \$ 25 per day per person to other members of the Indian contingent for Commonwealth Games 2014 and Asian Games 2014.