

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF SPORTS STADIA

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

- (a) the number of sports stadia set up in various States and the name of States where sports stadia has not been set up including Uttar Pradesh, State/ UT-wise;
- (b) the proposal received from the States including Tamil Nadu and Jharkhand to construct new stadia in the States along with the action taken thereon, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the name of places where the construction work of stadia are pending due to non-allocation of land in Uttar Pradesh and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to promote outdoor sports like boat racing in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details of steps taken and the funds allocated/released for the purpose so far, State/ UT-wise?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Government of India has 5 stadia in Delhi. Sports is a State subject and it is primarily the responsibility of the State Government to set up sports stadia. Details of stadia set up by the State Governments are not maintained. No scheme is being implemented by the Central Government for construction of stadia in the country.
- (b) No such proposals have been received by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.
- (c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.
- (d) & (e) The Government has already been promoting outdoor sports like football, hockey, etc. States/UT wise funds are released for development of sports under the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan (RGKA). Under this Scheme, there is a provision to develop outdoor playfields in convergence with the MGNREGS at the Block level sports complexes to be set up in each block of the country for both indoor and outdoor sports disciplines. Boat racing is not one of the sports disciplines covered under the RGKA.