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Title: Regarding making arrangements for screening of Rio Olympic Games.

SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU (SRIKAKULAM): The Olympic Games are considered as the biggest celebration of sports and athleticism world over. The games are organized once every 4 years. This year it is being conducted in Rio, Brazil. With India sending its biggest ever contingent to the Olympic Games this time around, the Government should use this opportunity to motivate more youth to take up sports as a career or recreational activity.

In this regard, I urge the Government to make arrangements for screening of Rio Olympic Games all over the country, especially in those parts where penetration of television is not very high. This will serve two purposes:

- (i) The young citizens of the country, especially those who reside in backward and remote areas, will get an opportunity to experience this major sporting event via the medium of television. This will go a long way in encouraging kids to take up sports as a long term career option.
- (ii) Such an event, if done at a grand scale, will also help in lifting the morals of hundreds of our sportsmen who are currently competing in Rio.

I urge the Government to seriously take appropriate steps in this regard.