

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3883
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2018**

Promotion of Rural Sports and Games

**3883. SHRI RAMEN DEKA:
SHRI NINONG ERING:**

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to take steps for the protection, preservation and development of traditional/indigenous games such as Yubi Lakpi of Manipur and other rural sports in North-Eastern Region; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Assam?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
{COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (RETD.)}**

(a) & (b) Sports is a State subject. Promotion of sports in the country, including promotion of indigenous and traditional sports and games, is the primary responsibility of the State Government and the concerned National Sports Federations (NSFs). The Central Government complements/supplements the efforts of the State Governments and NSFs.

This Ministry is implementing a Central Sector Scheme, namely Khelo India which inter-alia includes a vertical 'Promotion of rural and indigenous/tribal games' which aims to showcase our rural and indigenous/tribal games through annual competitions and dissemination of information so as to encourage children and youth to

take up these games in a major way, paving way for their future mainstreaming. The vertical will be helpful for promotion of rural and indigenous / tribal games of entire country including North Eastern Region.

Sports Authority of India (SAI) under its National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) scheme is implementing the Indigenous Games and Martial Arts (IGMA) scheme to preserve, protect & promote traditional & indigenous games in the country, whereby the institutions /schools engaged in the promotion of indigenous games are adopted. In North Eastern Region, IGMA Schemes are being implemented in 2 States, namely, Manipur and Assam, details of which are given at Annexure – I.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF THE
LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3883 FOR 09.08.2018 ASKED
BY SHRI RAMEN DEKA AND SHRI NINONG ERING, MPS, REGARDING
PROMOTION OF RURAL SPORTS AND GAMES**

Annexure – I

Details of Indigenous Games and Martial Arts Schools (IGMA) in North Eastern Region

S. No.	Name of the State and IGMA Centres	Discipline	No. of trainees		
			Boys	Girls	Total
1	Manipur				
	Bal Vidya Mandir, Village& P.O. Dhobal, Manipur	Mukna	08	0	08
		Thang-Ta	08	09	17
	Panthoibi Jagoi Sindam Academy, Shanglen	Mukna	08	0	08
		Thang-Ta	04	08	12
2	Assam				
	Martial Authority of Assam Tengapara, Kokrajhar	Khomlainai	10	10	20
