

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3034
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018**

**Developing Aero Science Sports in the
country**

3034. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR:

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

- (a) the number of water sports included in the competitions at State/ National level;
- (b) whether Government is aware that Aero Science Sports are not developed in the country due to lack of Government support; and
- (c) if so, the action taken to develop Aero Science Sports in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND
SPORTS
(COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (RETD.))

(a) Sir, inclusion of sports disciplines, including those for water sports, in any competition is the prerogative of the organisers and the concerned state/ national level sports body. Government has no role in it. The Khelo India Scheme, implemented by this Ministry, includes a vertical of “Annual Sports Competition” under which Khelo India National School Games & Khelo India National University Games are to be held. Swimming is included as one of the sports disciplines.

(b) & (c) Promotion and development of a sport including that of Aero Science Sports is the primary responsibility of the concerned National level sports body.. Government only supplements their efforts by providing financial assistance under its various schemes. Till date no organization has approached the government for grant of recognition as National Sports Federation for Aero Science Sports.
