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(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1598**  
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**NATIONAL SPORTS EDUCATION BOARD**

1598 SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY:

Will the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of the proposed National Sports Education Board;
- (b) the help this Board will provide to push students in taking up sports related subjects as their main subjects, besides regular curriculum;
- (c) whether the Board will help aspiring athletes in flexible or deferred exams which is now available only to established players; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**  
THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) The aims and objectives of the proposed National Sports Education Board (NSEB) will be as under:-

- Initiating large scale participation in sports and promoting personal, social and community development.
- Promoting excellence in sports by 'catching them young' and nurturing identified talents.
- Providing assurance to the sports community and parents that practicing sports would not lead to loss in academics, vertical mobility & employment opportunities.
- Promoting alternative career opportunities related to sports in an organised way.
- Involving Teachers, PE staff, Coaches, Community Outreach Volunteers, Health Specialists, mental health and wellness psychologists, nutritionist, physiotherapists in preparing and conducting online and face to face modular training, orientations and webinars.
- Engaging in sports development by devising better and more effective ways of promoting interest, participation and performance in sport.

(b) to (d) The aim of the NSEB would be to promote sports among all from grassroots level to higher education and then provide opportunities to pursue the same for achieving excellence. The NSEB would allow collaboration with existing boards so that the sportsperson could grow well academically along with sports. To accomplish the task of engaging a greater number of students in the field of sports and keeping them motivated to proceed on their career path. For vertical mobility, the NSEB would work to include transfer of credit points to higher level to increase competition and to help in career prospects from the angle of fear of dropping out.

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