

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 185
ANSWERED ON 08.08.2024

Kodava Hockey Tournament

***185 Shri Ajay Makan**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that the annual Kodava family hockey tournament, hosted this year, has made history by earning itself a reference in the Guinness World Records for being the largest field hockey tournament;
- (b) whether Government has taken a note of this event; and
- (c) the financial assistance that has been offered or will be provided to this event?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF RAJYA SABHA
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“KODAVA HOCKEY TOURNAMENT” ASKED BY SHRI AJAY MAKAN, HON’BLE
MEMBER OF RAJYA SABHA.**

(a) & (b): Government has recognized Hockey India as the National Sports Federation for promotion and development of Hockey in the country. The Kodava is a member unit of Hockey Karnataka, which is Hockey India’s Karnataka State unit. The Kodava Family Hockey Tournament is a local tournament in the state of Karnataka held under the aegis of Hockey Karnataka. The tournament was held from 30th March to 28th April, 2024 and has registered the Guinness World Record as the largest field hockey tournament with 4834 players.

(c): Sports, being a State subject, it is responsibility of concerned State Government to take steps for promotion and development of the sports, including holding of state/district level tournaments, within the state. Hockey India has informed that Government of Karnataka gives financial support to this tournament, and that Hockey Karnataka provides the technical Support for conduct of this tournament.
