

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 2874**  
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**PREPARATIONS FOR OLYMPICS 2028**

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

- (a) whether preparation for Olympic 2028 has begun, considering the poor performance in Olympic 2024;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the reasons for poor performance of Indian athletes even after Government has spent considerable amount on their training and well-being?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

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(a) to (c) After conclusion of Paris Olympics 2024, the Mission Olympic Cell, which is headed by Director General, Sports Authority of India and comprises of former eminent sportspersons, sports administrators discussed on the learnings from the Paris Olympics and following are the major points that have emerged from deliberations:

- Clear selection policy and training plan of athletes by NSFs.
- Talent identification through strong domestic competition structure.
- Integration of sports science to enhance sporting performances.
- Development of coaches and Technical Officials and improving their competencies.

Preparation for International events including Olympics is an ongoing and continuous process. Plans/Proposals of the National Sports Federations (NSFs) relating to training, competitive exposure, Coaches and support personnel including foreign coaches, for preparing

sportspersons/teams for the international events including mega-sports events such as Olympics, Asian Games etc are deliberated and finalized in the Annual Calendar for Training and Competition (ACTC) meetings.

The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports supports the Indian sportspersons/teams through various schemes, such as Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations and TOPS. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, the National Sports Federations (NSFs), including the Indian Olympic Association (IOA), and the Sports Authority of India (SAI) work in close coordination for providing best facilities, training, equipment support as also a wholesome nutritious diet required for preparation of the teams and sportspersons for the forthcoming international sports events, including Olympics.

Furthermore, Government has also established the National Centre of Sports Science and Research (NCSSR) at New Delhi to better integrate sports science into the overall sports ecosystem.

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