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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No-469

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### PERFORMANCE OF INDIAN CONTINGENT IN PARIS OLYMPICS

### 469 # SHRI NEERAJ DANGI:

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

- (a) the details of medals won by Indian contingent in Paris Olympics held a few months ago, including the ranking achieved by India amongst the participant countries;
- (b) the reasons for failure in achieving the targets set by Government for winning medals in Olympic Games;
- (c) the details of shortcomings found in the process of selection and training of athletes by Government for Paris Olympics; and
- (d) the successful efforts being made by Government to overcome the said shortcomings?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

## (DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a): India won 6 medals and was placed at 71st position in the medal tally of Paris Olympics, 2024. The details of medals won are given in the table below:

S. No.	Sports Discipline	Number of Medal(s) won
1	Athletics	1 Silver Medal
2	Shooting	3 Bronze medals
3	Wrestling	1 Bronze medal
4	Hockey (Men's Team)	1 Bronze medal
	Total	6 medals (1 Silver & 5 Bronze)

(b) to (d): Preparation for International events including Olympics and Paralympics is an ongoing and continuous process. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports supports the Indian sportspersons/teams through various schemes, such as Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (ANSF) and Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). The 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, Paralympics etc. are deliberated and finalized in the Annual Calendar for Training and Competition (ACTC)

meetings. Further, the proposals received, under TOPS, are evaluated and approved on a case-by-case basis by the Mission Olympic Cell (MOC), and on approval, the funds are directly disbursed to the athletes to facilitate their training and participation in competitions. After conclusion of the Paris Olympics 2024, the following learnings have emerged:

- Need for a 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.

The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, the NSFs, including the Indian Olympic Association, and the SAI are working 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 and Paralympics. 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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