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

(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS) RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-635

ANSWERED ON- 24/07/2025

STRENGTHENING OF SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE AT STATE LEVEL

635 #. SHRI MADAN RATHORE:

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to further strengthen the sports infrastructure at the State level in view of the historic performance of the teams in the Khelo India University Games held in Jaipur; and
- (b) whether Government is considering to establish a permanent sports university in Jaipur?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

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- (a) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including strengthening of sports infrastructure, rests primarily with the respective State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government only supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. However, under the "Creation and upgradation of sports infrastructure" component of the Khelo India Scheme, this Ministry renders financial support for creation of basic sports infrastructure such as sports stadiums, synthetic athletic tracks, synthetic hockey fields, synthetic turf football grounds, multipurpose halls, swimming pools, etc. along with sports equipment. Further, under National Sports Development Funds (NSDF), Government supports various institutions and individuals for creation and upgradation of sports facilities across the country, including in Jaipur. The details of the sports infrastructure sanctioned under Khelo India Scheme and NSDF, across the country, including in Jaipur, are available in public domain on the dashboard of the Ministry at https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in and http://www.nsdf.yas.gov.in/nsdf-glance.html. The Khelo India Scheme and NSDF are demand-driven schemes. The proposals received from the State/UT Governments and other eligible entities are considered for financial support, subject to their completeness, technical feasibility and availability of funds under the Scheme. Further, Khelo India University Games have not been held in Jaipur, till date.
- (b) There is no proposal under consideration in this Ministry to establish a sports university in Jaipur. The National Sports University has been set up in 2018 at Imphal in Manipur through the National Sports University Act, 2018 to cater to students and athletes from all States/UTs of the country, including Jaipur.
