## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 938

ANSWERED ON -28/07/2025

## CSR FUNDING FOR PROMOTION OF SPORTS IN UP, MP AND BIHAR

938 SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) details of CSR funding by public sector oil and gas companies for promotion of sports and sports infrastructure and other activities in the States of Uttar Pradesh, MP and Bihar during the last five years and the current year, till date, year-wise, public sector oil and gas company-wise and State-wise along with district-wise details in case of UP;
- (b) the details of criteria adopted for grant of said funds by public sector oil and gas companywise; and
- (c) the achievements made in respect of promotion of sports/ sports infrastructure and out of CSR funding by these PSUs in above States, year-wise and district-wise?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (c): Oil & Gas Public Sector companies undertake Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities under the heads identified under Schedule VII of Companies Act, 2013 with special focus on Health (Nutrition, Sanitation and Drinking Water), Education, Skill Development, Rural Development, Women Empowerment, Environment Oriented Initiatives, care for the Elderly & Differently-abled Persons and training to promote rural sports, nationally recognised sports, Paralympic sports and Olympic sports. CSR is a Board-driven process and along with approval of CSR policy the Board of the company is empowered to plan, decide, execute and monitor the CSR activities of the company based on the recommendation of its CSR Committee.

The criteria for spending the CSR funds is governed by provisions specified under Section 135 of Companies act 2013, Guidelines on CSR expenditure issued by Department of Public Enterprises (DPE), Ministry of Finance and CSR policy of the respective Company. Sports infrastructure developed under CSR activity inter alia includes Gym for girls in sports academy, installation of advance Archery equipments and Archery Shed, installation of open air Gyms at various locations, Sports equipments, Sports materials and Badminton stadium, etc. Some of the sports player funded through CSR activities/initiatives have represented India at 19<sup>th</sup> Asian Games (China), Olympics 2024 (Paris), 7<sup>th</sup> Indian Open Para Athletics Championship 2025 and other national, international events. State-wise and district-wise CSR projects along with promotion of sports, development of sports infrastructure and CSR funding including in the state of UP, MP and Bihar done by Oil & Gas companies like ONGC, IndianOil, BPCL, HPCL, GAIL and OIL are available on their respective websites i.e. www.ongcindia.com, www.iocl.com, www.bharatpetroleum.com, www.hindustanpetroleum.com, www.gailonline.com and www. oil-india.com.

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