

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

LOK SABHA

**STARRED QUESTION NO.1561
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9/3/2017**

Promotion of Paralympic Games

**1561. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:
SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE**

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

- (a) the performance achieved by the Indian athletes in the Paralympics-2016;**
- (b) whether the Government is considering to reduce the budgetary allocation for the sports under the Paralympics category;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;**
- (d) the funds allocated for promotion of sports under the Paralympics Category during each of the last three years and the current year; and**
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for promotion of sports under the said category in the country?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS
AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)**

- (a) Madam, 20 Indian athletes participated in Rio Paralympics, 2016 out of which 4 athletes secured medals in Paralympics, 2016. The details are as follows:-**

S.No	Name of Athlete	Medal Category	Discipline
1	Devender Jhaharia	Gold	Athletics
2	Mariyappan Thangavellu	Gold	Athletics
3	Deepa Malik	Silver	Athletics
4	Varun Singh Bhati	Bronze	Athletics

(b) Madam, there is no such proposal.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) & (e) For promotion of sports among physically disabled, this Ministry has recognized various National Sports Federations (NSFs) such as Paralympic Committee of India, All India Sports Council of the Deaf and Special Olympics Bharat. All these NSFs are placed under 'Priority' category so that they are eligible to avail maximum financial assistance under the "Scheme of Assistance to NSFs". The funds released to these NSFs in the last 3 years and the current year is as follows:-

(Rs. In lakhs)

S.No.	Name of the federation	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (till December 2016)
1.	Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)-	143.40	197.72	720.08	259.52
2.	All India Sports Council of the Deaf (AISCD)-	87.49	3.02	65.64	60.26
3.	Special Olympics Bharat (SOB)-	274.51	19.17	600.34	278.92

T-20 Cricket World Cup for Blind was hosted in India in 2017 for which Govt. has sanctioned an amount of Rs.30.00 lakhs. India won the said World Cup.
