

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1515  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2018**

**Preparation for Tokyo Olympics**

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

**(a) whether the Government has implemented any scheme for procurement of state-of-the-art sports equipments and setting up of world class stadiums with training facilities in the country;**

**(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years and the current year;**

**(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the allocation of funds for procurement of state-of-the-art sports equipments for preparation of Tokyo Olympics-2020; and**

**(d) whether the Government has allocated/utilised funds in this regard and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS  
AND SPORTS**

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**(a) to (d): Government has been implementing through Sports Authority of India (SAI), the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs) for high level support to the national teams at Senior, Junior and Sub-junior levels. State-of-the-Art indigenous as well**

**as imported sports equipments are procured under the Scheme to enhance the performance of sportspersons. The Scheme covers various aspects of training of elite sportspersons including their boarding/ lodging, supplements, travel, participation in international competitions, equipments etc. There is no separate allocation for equipments. These are purchased as per the requirements of sportspersons as indicated by the National Sports Federations. 11 Regional Centres, 10 National Sports Academies, 05 Regional Sports Academies and 02 Academic Institutes of SAI are equipped with modern training facilities and have equipments which are being upgraded to international standards as per requirement. The expenditure on these equipments is met from the grant received by SAI from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. Rs. 32.80 crore have been spent by SAI during the last three years for this purpose.**

**In addition to the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, the Government has made provision for state-of-the-art sports equipments for the individual athletes identified as probable for Tokyo Olympics 2020 from the Target Olympic Podium (TOP) scheme through which 132 sportspersons have been provided financial assistance for tailor made state-of-the-art equipments costing Rs. 1.10 crore since November, 2017.**

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