

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 165
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2019**

DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS UNDER SKILL INDIA INITIATIVE

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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any initiative for the development of sports under the Skill India Initiative;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps in consonance with the recommendations of the National Skill Development Council of the skill gaps in the sectors; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE)**

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY), launched in 2015, to provide employable skills to the youth of the nation. Owing to the success of PMKVY 1.0, the scheme was re-launched in October, 2016 and called PMKVY (2016-2020). Under PMKVY (2016-2020), training is provided in more than 250 job roles across various sectors including sports. Qualification Packs that have been developed for the sports sector are Fitness Trainer, Life Guard-Pool & Beach, Sports Masseur, Physical Activity Trainer. Further, MSDE through National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has formed the Sports, Physical Education, Fitness & Leisure Skill Council (SPEFL-SC) on 3rd July, 2015 for the focused attention to the development of sports under the Skill India Initiative. The key objective of the SPEFL-SC is to create a robust and vibrant eco-system for quality education and skill development in the sports sector in the country. The mandate for SPEFL-SC, inter alia, is to carry out a functional and occupational mapping and develop a catalogue of industry, develop occupations/ job roles in the sector, develop & put in place an assessment & certification mechanism for the trainers, assessors and trainees etc. NSDC has not conducted any skill gap study on Sports as yet.
