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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†3090 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.07.2019

Encouragement for Outdoor Games

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to encourage modern day children and youth over exposed to electronic gadgets to go to park and play outdoor games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to promote indigenous sports; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS { SHRI KIREN RIJIJU }

(a) & (b) "Sports" being a State subject the responsibility of development of Sports, including encouraging children and youth to participate in sporting activities, rests with the State / Union Territory (UT) Governments. Government of India supplements efforts of State / UT Governments by providing assistance to National Sports Federations, training in Sports Authority of India (SAI) Centres and support under Khelo India Scheme.

(c) & (d) Khelo India scheme includes promotion of indigenous games. Therefore, no new scheme is under consideration.
