

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 5341
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2019**

Adventure Sports in Maharashtra

+ 5341. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

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

- (a) whether any adventure sports is popular in the country especially in Maharashtra;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to develop any adventure sports in Latur city of Maharashtra; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)**

(a & b) Adventure sports popular in the country including Maharashtra are:

(i) Land Based: Mountaineering, Trekking, Rock Climbing, Sport Climbing, Ultra Marathons, Mountain Biking and Ziplining.

(ii) Air Based: Paragliding, Parasailing, Sky Diving/Parachuting and Paramotoring.

(iii) Water based: White Water: Rafting, Kayaking and Canoeing. Still water (Pond/Lakes): Water/Jet Skiing, Kayaking, Sailing and Rowing.

Sea/Oceans: Windsurfing, Sailing, Scuba Diving and Channel swimming.

Details of locations where popular adventure sports are conducted are as under:

- (i) Mountaineering: Himalayan States of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, West Bengal and Arunachal Pradesh**
 - (ii) Trekking: All the Himalayan States, North East Region, Sahyadris and Western Ghats.**
 - (iii) Rock Climbing: All across the Country.**
 - (iv) Sport Climbing: More than 150 walls established across the country. Very popular among States of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal, Sikkim, Manipur and Delhi.**
 - (v) Snow Skiing: Gulmarg in Jammu & Kashmir, Solang valley- Manali and Narkanda in Himachal Pradesh and Auli in Uttarakhand.**
 - (vi) Paragliding: Bir Billing, Manali and Dharamshala in Himachal Pradesh, Pune and Nashik in Maharashtra, Vagamon in Kerala, Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh.**
 - (vii) White water Rafting and Kayaking: Rishikesh in Uttarakhand, Manali in Himachal Pradesh, Zaskar in Ladakh, Teesta river in West Bengal.**
 - (viii) Scuba Diving: Goa, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep Island, Mangalore and Pondicherry.**
- (c & d) At present, no proposal for development of any adventure sports in Latur city of Maharashtra has been received from the State Government of Maharashtra.**
