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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5428 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2019

Bringing Sports under Concurrent List

5428. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

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

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration of the Government to bring "Sports" under Concurrent List from State List and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the objective behind the same;

(c) the measures likely to be taken at national level for development of sports in case the proposal is passed; and

(d) the measures taken/ being taken by the Government for increasing the participation of women in sports?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS [Shri KIREN RIJIJU]

(a): The Department of Sports has prepared a draft Cabinet Note with the proposal for transfer of subject 'Sports' from State List to Concurrent List and sought the comments from the concerned Ministries / Departments as well as State Governments / Union Territories. (b): The main objective of shifting of subject 'Sports' from State List to Concurrent List is to enable the Central Government to provide for a robust and comprehensive framework for sports so as to mainstream Sports as social and economic activity across India.

(c): Transferring 'Sports' from State List to Concurrent List will help in achieving national benchmarks in holistic education, physical fitness, child and youth development, gender equality, peace & development, sporting excellence and creating new economic opportunities.

(d): Women athletes have been constantly performing at International level and winning medals, leading to increased participation of the girl athletes. These high performing women athletes are being supported through National Sports Federations (NSFs) as well as Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme. Khelo India scheme of the Government has a vertical totally dedicated for promotion of sports amongst women.

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