

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2246
ANSWERED ON 20/12/2022**

Development of Football Sports

2246. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any information about position of India in FIFA World ranking;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government is providing financial assistance for the development of football sports in the country;**
- (d) if so, the details of such assistance provided for the development of football sports in the country;**
- (e) whether the Government has any plan to start football academies or provide financial assistance to private sector to start football academies in the country; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)**

(a) & (b): At present, FIFA World Ranking of Indian Football team is as follows:

Senior Men's Team: 106

Senior Women's Team: 61

(c) & (d): The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is providing financial assistance under Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federation through SAI to All India Football Federation (AIFF) towards training of

athletes which includes all requisite facilities for their preparations including wholesome nutritious diet, food supplements, equipment support, state-of-the-art infrastructure, lodging, travelling facilities, services of reputed Indian and Foreign Coaches/supporting staff, scientific & medical support, sports kit, etc. besides financial assistance for their training abroad and participation in international competitions in India and abroad. For the said purpose, Annual Calendar for Training and Competition (ACTC) budget is approved for each NSF every year. The details of the funding provided to the AIFF under ACTC are as under:

S.N	Year	Budget
1.	2018-19	Rs. 23.08 Crore
2.	2019-20	Rs. 29.94 Crore
3.	2020-23	Rs. 10.31 Crore
4.	2021-22	Rs. 5.25 Crore
5.	2022-23	Rs. 15.00* Crore

*** Rs. 10 crore was approved for the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup, in addition to the funding approved under the ACTC 2022-23.**

(e) & (f): The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports is providing assistance under Khelo India Scheme for Khelo India Accredited Academies and Khelo India Centres for various sports, including football. For the sport of football, at present, number of Khelo India Accredited Academies and Khelo India Centres are 13 and 111 respectively.
