Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Department of Sports

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †4528 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2023

Welfare Schemes for Sportspersons

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme for the welfare of National and International level Indian sportspersons;
- (b) if so, the details of the welfare schemes formulated; and
- (c) the total amount spent on the welfare schemes/ programmes for the National and International level sportspersons during the last three years and the current year?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS [SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]

- (a) and (b): The Government is already implementing the following schemes for the welfare of National and International level Indian sportspersons:
 - i. 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund Sportspersons' (PDUNWFS) Scheme provides suitable financial assistance to the sportspersons / coaches and their dependent family members living in indigent conditions, for treatment of injury during training and competitions, welfare of the sportspersons, procurement of sports equipments and participation in events etc.

- ii. The 'Scheme of Sports Fund for Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons' provides additional financial security to sportspersons, after their retirement from an active sports career in the form of life-time pension ranging from Rs 12,000/- to Rs 20,000/- per month for winning medals in Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, World Cup, World Championships, Asian Games, Para Asian Games and Commonwealth Games.
- (c): The details of the amount spent on the above welfare schemes for the National and International level sportspersons during the last three and the current year are given below:

S.No.	Year	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons Amount Released (in Rs.)	Scheme of Sports Fund for Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons Amount Released (in Rs.)
1	2022-23 (as on 23.03.2023)	1,06,61,000/-	3,40,95,613/-
2	2021-22	1,56,52,810/-	6,79,56,480/-
3	2020-21	1,36,48,000/-	13,22,00,000/-
4	2019-20	63,32,415/-	46,99,00,000/-
