

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 777
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2023

FIT INDIA GYMNASIUMS MOVEMENT

777. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that States are starting open gymnasiums in every Gram Panchayat in line with the Fit India Gymnasiums Movement;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is providing some financial aid for the functioning of gymnasiums;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the gymnasiums started so far, State-wise; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

(a) to (d) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of starting of open gymnasium in every gram panchayat, primarily rests with the State/Union Territory Governments. Central Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. Under the "Utilization and Creation/Upgradation of Sports Infrastructure" vertical of the Khelo India Scheme, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports renders financial support for creation of basic sports infrastructure such as sports complex, synthetic athletic tracks, synthetic hockey fields, synthetic turf football grounds, multipurpose halls, swimming pools, etc. along with sports equipment. Similarly, the basic (Untied) grants under the Fifteenth Finance Commission can be utilized by Panchayats towards recreation facilities including children's park, playground, sports & physical fitness equipments.
