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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3171 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2023

#### **Sports University**

#### 3171. SHRI GIRISH CHANDRA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is no adequate Physical Education and Sports University at the Central level in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more of such Universities in the country and also grant assistance to the States for setting up similar Universities; and
- (c) if so, the details of Sports Universities/ Institutions proposed to be established, by the Union Government including in the State of Uttar Pradesh and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS {SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR}

(a) The National Sports University (NSU) was set up in 2018 at Imphal in Manipur through the National Sports University Act, 2018 to cater to students and athletes from all States/UTs of the country. In addition, the academic programs for physical education are conducted by the Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) at Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh and Lakshmibai National College of Physical Education (LNCPE) at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. (b)&(c) Presently, there is no proposal under the consideration of Government of India for establishing National Sports University/Institutes in any other state of the country as the existing can cater to students and athletes of all States/UTs, including Uttar Pradesh.

'Sports' being a State Subject, the responsibility to promote and develop sports in the country, including sports education, rests primarily with the respective State/UT Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps.

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