

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.731
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2023

Rashtriya Yuva Sashaktikaran Karyakaram

731. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that budget allocation for the Ministry has been increased by 11% in comparison to financial year 2022-23;

(b) if so, the details of action proposed by the Government in building a yuva leadership to reach out to youth and engage them in various activities so as to improve their leadership skills in sports;

(c) the details of the initiatives of the Government towards development of youth power by Rashtriya Yuva Sashaktikaran Karyakaram; and

(d) the details of the reasons behind to reduce budget for Khelo India against the budget of 2022-23 and not to achieve the target during the last year?

ANSWER

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

(a) Yes, Sir. The budget allocated for the Financial Year 2022-23 and Financial Year 2023-24 for this Ministry is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Financial Year		Percentage increase from last year
2022-23	2023-24	
3062.60	3397.32	11%

(b) The schemes and programmes of the Ministry are aimed at holistic development of the personality of the youth of the country by engaging them in various community service activities; and infusing sports culture by broadbasing of sports amongst the youth, so as to develop their leadership skills.

(c) The Central Sector Scheme viz. Rashtriya Yuva Sashaktikaran Karyakram (RYSK), was formulated to achieve better synergy/convergence in the scheme implementation, as an umbrella scheme under which the following 7 sub-schemes have been merged:

1. Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan.
2. National Youth Corps.
3. National Programme for Youth and Adolescent Development.
4. International Cooperation.
5. Youth Hostels.
6. Assistance to Scouting and Guiding Organisations.
7. National Young Leaders Programme.

Under RYSK the Ministry focuses on twin objectives of personality development and nation-building thereby tapping the constructive energy for the youths of our country. Various programmes/activities are organized with focus areas including education, health and sanitation, environment, awareness on social issues, women empowerment, civic education, disaster relief and rehabilitation, national and international youth exchange programmes, etc.

Participation in these activities by youth promotes national integration and strengthens secular and creative worldview of the youth about their country, society and future; foster the spirit of adventure, risk taking and teamwork.

(d) Khelo India Scheme is a demands-driven scheme under which proposals when received from the State/UT Governments and other eligible entities are sanctioned according to the parameters of the scheme subject to their completeness and technical feasibility.