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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2668 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023

Gender Testing

2668. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that gender testing is carried out on female athletes in the country as on date;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with procedure adopted for the same;
- (c) the details of data on all the athletes whohave failed the prescribed gender test in the State, National and International sports competitions during the last ten years and the current year;
- (d) whether it is a fact that gender testing is only carried out in female athletes and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Ministry has prescribed gender testing for transgenders as well;
- (f) if so, whether the Ministry has issued any guidelines on the gender testing procedures for transgenders; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, thereasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (g): No, Sir. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports does not carry out gender testing on athletes. However, the participation of sportspersons in any sports competitions/tournaments is governed by the rules and regulations of the concerned discipline formulated by the respective International Sports Bodies/Federations.
