

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2777
TO BE ANSWERD ON 05.12.2019**

Bid for Olympic/Asian Games

2777. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

MS. S. JOTHIMANI:

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to bid for 2026 Youth Olympics, 2030 Asian Games and 2032 Olympic Games and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Indian Olympic Committee had any discussions with its international counterparts regarding hosting such international sporting events and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering Mumbai, Kolkata or Chennai as the host city for these international sporting events and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the National Sports Federations (NSFs) would be hosting any major international tournaments in tennis (ATP/WTA) or in archery (World Archery) and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken to promote the development of Olympic sports, the culture of fitness & playing sports and for spreading awareness about niche Olympic sports?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
[SHRI KIREN RIJIJU]**

(a) to (c) Bidding to host multi-sports international events, including Olympics, Youth Olympics and Asian Games, in India is the responsibility of Indian Olympic Association (IOA). According to

IOA its Executive Council and Special General Assembly has resolved to issue the Expression of Interest for hosting of 2026 Youth Olympic Games, 2030 Asian Games and 2032 Olympic Games. The stage for deciding the venues has not come yet.

(d) According to the All India Tennis Association the following International Tournaments are scheduled in India:-

- 1. Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Tour
Tata Open Maharashtra in the week of 3rd Feb 2020**
- 2. ATP Challenger – In the week of 10th Feb 2020**
- 3. ITF \$25K Event in Solapur – in the week of 2nd Dec 2019**
- 4. ITF \$25K Event in Pune – in the week of 9th Dec 2019**
- 5. ITF \$25K Event in Navi Mumbai – in the week of 16th Dec 2019**
- 6. ITF \$25K Event in Jodhpur – in the week of 17th Feb 2020**

Presently, no international event in archery is scheduled in India.

(e) To spread sports and promoting excellence, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports is implementing Khelo India Scheme and providing support and assistance to athletes for their training and competition. Hon'ble Prime Minister has launched the Fit India Movement on 29.08.2019 to create awareness amongst all citizens about fitness and its importance in daily life through physical activity such as sports, yogasan, walking, cycling, dancing etc. Role of the Central Government including States / UTs Government's is of catalyst for promoting awareness of fitness.
