GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4013 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2019

Development of Sports Infrastructure for Olympics

4013. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

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

(a) whether the Government has any development projects to improve the sports infrastructure and training facilities in the country to prepare for Tokyo Olympics 2020;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total funds allocated to each of the projects, State-wise; and

(d) the effective steps taken by the Government to provide state of the art technology, sports infrastructure and world class training facilities for Indian sportsmen, sportswomen and to increase the medal tally in next Olympics in Tokyo, 2020?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Sports infrastructure and other sports facilities at five stadia of Sports Authority of India (SAI) in New Delhi and Regional Centres of SAI across the country are of international standards, Upgradation of sports facilities at SAI stadia and Regional Centres in terms of infrastructure and equipment is as an ongoing process. The Government is also providing financial assistance from National Sports Development Fund for sports infrastructure, customized training under reputed coaches at Institutes having world-class facilities, participation in international competitions, purchase of equipment and Services of support persons like Physical Trainer, Mental Trainer and Physiotherapist etc. to potential athletes which is also facilitating in preparation for Tokyo Olympics, 2020. The allocation of funds for development of these sports facilities are carried out based on technical feasibility and these are not allocated State wise.

(d) Through the schemes of the Department of Sports such as Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs), Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) the identified promising sportspersons and teams are being provided support of modern sports sciences, exposure in abroad under experts of respective sports discipline, participation in International events/ competitions as measures for further enhancing their preparedness for 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Sports Authority of India (SAI), an autonomous body under this Ministry has also been engaging foreign coaches, physiotherapists etc. from time to time in various sports disciplines to meet the specialised training needs of the core probables of the Olympics to increase the medal tally in Tokyo Olympics, 2020.

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