

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1917  
TO BE ANSWERD ON 22.09.2020**

**Archery Sport**

**1917. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:**

**SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:**

**SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:**

**SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:**

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

**(a) whether the Government is aware that Archery sport is not getting due importance at National and International level;**

**(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same;**

**(c) whether the Government is also not considering Archery sport while conducting recruitment under sports quota in the country;**

**(d) if so, the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and**

**(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote Archery in the country?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**

**[SHRI KIREN RIJIJU]**

**(a) & (b): Government has been giving due importance to Archery Sports. Archery sport has been placed in the 'High Priority' category**

**so that it gets maximum financial and other assistance from Government under Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations. Archery sport being part of the Olympics programme, Archery players are also included in the Target Olympic Podium Scheme and are being supported for their customized training.**

**(c) & (d): Archery sports is already included in the list of sports disciplines for recruitment of meritorious sportspersons to Group 'C' posts in Central Government offices against sports quota vacancies.**

**(e) The Ministry is promoting Archery through various Schemes of the Ministry and SAI. Archers are being provided training in SAI Centres across the country under SAI's sports promotional schemes. Further, Archery sport is included in Khelo India Youth Games and Khelo India University Games. Under the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations, financial and other support are provided for preparation and participation of Indian Archers in the international archery events.**

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