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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 890 TO BE ANSWERD ON 17.09.2020

National Sports Federations

890. SHRI P.C. GADDIGOUDAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has withdrawn recognition to number of national sports federations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the proposal would affect the upcoming sports persons and their career options; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports recognizes National Sports Federations (NSFs) at the national level for promotion and development of sports in the country. From the year 2010, the Ministry has introduced a system of annual recognition procedure for the NSFs to ensure transparency and accountability in NSFs. During the current year this exercise has been held up due to

outbreak of COVID-19 and country-wide lockdown to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic. Considering this unprecedented situation arisen due to COVID-19 outbreak and the interest of sports and sportspersons, the Ministry had issued letter dated 02.06.2020 renewing the annual recognition for 2020 provisionally till 30.09.2020 to the recognised NSFs. However, in compliance of the order dated 24.06.2020 passed by Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in Writ Petition (C) No. 195 of 2010 the Ministry on 25.06.2020 had withdrawn the said letter dated 02.06.2020. Subsequently, the Ministry has moved for judicial remedy.

Necessary support is being provided through Sports Authority of India to the Olympic bound athletes and the National Coaching Camps have been resumed for their preparation and training for Tokyo Olympics 2021.
