

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1734
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2021**

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund

1734. Shri Raja Amareshwara Naik:

Shri Rajveer Singh (Raju Bhaiya):

Shrimati Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo:

Dr. Sukanta Majumdar:

Dr. Jayanta Kumar Roy:

Shri Vinod Kumar Sonkar:

Shri Bhola Singh:

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

(a) whether the Government has set up Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund for sportspersons to assist outstanding sportspersons of yesteryear living in indigent circumstances who had brought glory to the country in sports;

(b) if so, the details thereof including sportspersons who received financial help during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MoYAS) and YuWaah (Generation Unlimited India) signed on a partnership to empower young people in India and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the MoYAS launched campaign Cheer India with Indian Railways to encourage and cheer the Olympics-bound athletes and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) whether the Ministry of Youth Affairs has signed collaboration with UN to develop the potential of young people through meaningful engagement and participation in social, civic and community initiatives and if so, the details thereof and other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

[SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]

(a) Yes, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons (PDUNWFS) was set up in 1982 by the Government to provide assistance to outstanding sportspersons living in indigent circumstances, families of deceased sportspersons, for medical treatment to sportspersons or family members, to sportspersons injured during training or participation in sports competitions, to sportspersons for training and for procurement of equipment or for participation in national and international sports events, to coaches and support personnel or their family members and for medical treatment to coaches and support personnel or their family members.

(b) The sportspersons who were given financial assistance during each of the last three years (as on 05.07.2021) is enclosed at Annexure 'I'.

(c) Yes. Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) have signed a "Statement of Intent" on 20.07.2020 to establish YuWaah, Generation Unlimited (GenU), a global multi-stakeholder platform in India. As per the Statement of Intent, the objectives of this project are:

- Support young people by providing entrepreneurship classes (online and offline) with successful entrepreneurs and experts, towards establishing entrepreneurial mindset among young people.**

- **Upskilling of young people on 21st century skills, life skills, digital skills through online and offline channels and support them through self-learning, for their productive lives and the future of work.**
- **Create linkages with aspirational economic opportunities to connect young people with employment opportunities, including building pathways to connect them with jobs or self-employment. For this, innovative solutions and technology platforms will be engaged to maximize the scale and reach.**
- **Providing career guidance support to young people through career portal as well as through job-readiness and self-exploration sessions to make young people career-ready.**

The role of Department of Youth Affairs in this project is to provide relevant experts to participate on the YuWaah Technical Working Groups/ Task Forces.

(d) & (e) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) and Indian Olympic Association (IOA) have jointly launched the nationwide campaign “Cheer4india” with Indian Railways to boost the morale of Tokyo 2020 Olympic-bound Indian contingent and with the objective to sensitize people of the Nation about Olympics.

The campaign includes:

- (1) Olympics Quiz- “Road to Tokyo 2020”**
- (2) Fan Engagement Drive activities like**
 - (a) Selfie Points**
 - (b) Best Slogan/Digital poster contest**
 - (c) Theme song for Indian contingent**
 - (d) Social media filters etc.**
- (3) Olympics Symposiums and Dialogues**

A call was given by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports to all the Ministries/Departments/State Governments as well as private partners to become a part of the Cheer4India campaign and support our Indian athletes as one Nation.

(f) Yes. Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MoYAS) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) / United Nations Volunteers (UNV) agreed on strengthening youth volunteering in India through a joint project titled “Strengthening of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) and National Service Scheme(NSS)”. The project is aimed at providing catalytic support to the Youth Volunteer Schemes of the MoYAS and intended to facilitate youth participation and voice in peace and sustainable development programmes in order to realize of full social, economic and human potential of youth. The primary objectives of the Project are:

- (i) Strengthen National Youth Volunteer Infrastructure of Department of Youth Affairs (DoYA);**
- (ii) Strengthen capacity of rural youth clubs for increased and diversified opportunities for youth volunteers;**
- (iii) Increase participation, recognition and contribution of youth volunteers in development process.**

The project “Strengthening NYKS and NSS” adopted a collaborative approach and included key partners in designing and implementing it.

Further, Department of Youth Affairs had been releasing India’s annual voluntary contribution to UNDP/UNV since 2007-08 as India’s annual voluntary contribution. The United Nations Volunteer (UNV) Programme was created by the United Nations General Assembly in 1970 with the objective to provide developing countries with an additional source of qualified and trained manpower at low cost and opportunity to young professionals from all nations to take part in development activities worldwide.

ANNEXURE 'I'

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1734 for answer on 29.07.2021 regarding Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund asked by Shri Raja Amareshwara Naik, Shri Rajveer Singh (Raju Bhaiya), Shrimati Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo, Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, Dr. Jayanta Kumar Roy, Shri Vinod Kumar Sonkar and Shri Bhola Singh

S. No.	Financial Year	Name of the Sportsperson with Discipline	State/UT	Sanctioned Amount (Rs)
1.	2017-18	Shri Mohammad Habib , Football	Andhra Pradesh	5,00,000
2.		Shri N.K. Mishra, Volleyball	Rajasthan	5,00,000
3.		Shri Kaur Singh, Boxing	Punjab	5,00,000
4.		Family of Late Ms Nitisha Negi, Football	Delhi	5,00,000
5.		Ms Gohela Boro, Archery	Assam	3,37,500
6.		Family of Late Master Praveen, Hockey trainee at STC Bhopal- Hockey	Haryana	2,00,000
7.	2018-19	Shri N. Brij Kishore, Gymnastics	Telangana	6,00,000
8.		Family of Shri Sumit Rabha, Football	Assam	5,00,000
9.		Ms Khaidem Kalambia Chanu, Fencing	Assam	5,00,000
10.		Shri Lakshmi Kanta Das, Weightlifting	West Bengal	2,00,000
11.		Shri Limba Ram, Archery	Rajasthan	5,00,000
12.		Ms GohelaBoro,	Assam	5,00,000
13.		Shri Ashok Soren,	Jharkhand	5,00,000

		Archery		
14.		Ms Garima Joshi, Athletics	Uttarakhand	5,00,000
15.		Shri Prem Lal, Wrestling	Delhi	5,00,000
16.		Shri Hakam Singh, Athletics	Punjab	10,00,000
17.		Ms Vandana Suryavanshi, Judo	Madhya Pradesh	3,00,000
18.		Shri G. Lakshaman, Athletics	Kerala	10,00,000
19.	2019-20	Shri Madasu Srinivas Rao, Para Badminton	Telangana	5,00,000
20.		Shri Limba Ram, Archery	Rajasthan	5,00,000
21.		Ms Chandro Devi Tomar	Uttar Pradesh	5,00,000
22.		Shri Renjith Maheshwari	Tamil Nadu	2,20,000
23.		Ms Veera Pal Kaur, Athletics	Punjab	1,50,000
24.		Ms Mithula U.K. , Badminton	Karnataka	10,00,000
25.		Shri J. Pitchayya, Ball Badminton	Telangana	5,00,000
26.		Shri Ansh Yadav, Athletics	Uttar Pradesh	10,00,000
27.		Ms Inshah Bashir, Basketball (Para)	Jammu & Kashmir	50,000
28.		Shri Sanjay Singh, Wushu	Haryana	1,00,000
29.		Ms Saly George, Volleyball	Kerala	2,50,000
30.		Ms GohelaBoro, Archery	Assam	1,62,415
31.		Ms Inshah Bashir, Basketball (Para)	Jammu & Kashmir	6,00,000
32.		M. Murali, Archery	Telangana	3,00,000
33.	Deepak Rathee, Wrestling	Haryana	1,00,000	

34.		Novy Kapadia, Sports Commentator	Delhi	4,00,000
35.	2020-21	Ms. Pragati, Archery	Delhi	5,00,000
36.		Shri Madasu Srinivas Rao, Para Athletics	Andhra Pradesh	5,00,000
37.		Shri Jitender Kumar Sharma, Athletics	Allahabad	5,00,000
38.		Ms. Amritpal Kaur, Athletics	Delhi	3,00,000
39.		Ms. Shiksha, Wushu	Haryana	5,00,000
40.		Ms. Neha, Athletics	Delhi	2,50,000
41.		Shri. Sunil Chauhan, Boxing	Uttar Pradesh	5,00,000
42.		Shri. Neeraj Chauhan, Archery	Uttar Pradesh	5,00,000
43.		Shri Abhinav Shaw, Shooting	West Bengal	2,50,000
44.		Shri Chintu Singh, Shooting	Rajasthan	2,50,000
45.		Shri Shuman Kumar, Shooting	Bihar	2,50,000
46.		Ms. Pongshumbam Ronibala Devi, Football	Manipur	5,00,000
47.		Shri Monu, Wrestling	Sonipat	3,00,000
48.		Shri. Mohinder Pal, Singh, Hockey	New Delhi	10,00,000
49.		Shri Parveen, Wrestling	Israna	3,00,000
50.		Shri Satpal, Wrestling	Sonipat	2,00,000
51.		Shri Pawan, Wrestling	Sonipat	2,00,000
52.		Shri Pardeep Sharma, Wrestling	Panipat	2,00,000
53.		Shri Anil Shetty, Body Building	Maharashtra	2,00,000
54.		Shri Swaran Singh, International Cyclist	Jharkhand	2,50,000
55.	Shri Ashok Kumar, Wrestling	New Delhi	5,00,000	
56.	Ms. Abantika Deka, Badminton	Bangalore	10,00,000	

57.		Family of Late Laishram Manitombi, Football	Manipur	5,00,000
58.		Shri Sucha Singh, Athletics	Jalandhar	6,00,000
59.		Shri Devank Sharma, Pencaksilat	Jammu	80,000
60.		Shri Amit Kumar, Wrestling	Delhi	2,10,000
61.		Shri Vivek Kumar Mishra, Netball	Uttar Pradesh	2,50,000
62.		Shri Sunny Jadhav, Wrestling	Madhya Pradesh	2,50,000
63.		Ms. Shivani Soni, Mini Golf	Chattisgarh	45,000
64.		Ms Vikas Rana, Skiing	Haryana	2,50,000
65.		Shri Anshuman Pathak, Shooting	Uttar Pradesh	2,50,000
66.		Ms Shaik Jafreen, Deaf Tennis	Andhra Pradesh	2,50,000
67.	2021-22	Shri Harsheel Dani	Maharashtra	5,13,000
68.		Shri Praveen Ravan Shinde	Maharashtra	5,00,000
69.		Shri Sumit Kumar	Delhi	2,50,000
70.		Shri Rakshith Shetty	Karnataka	2,50,000
71.		Shri Aamit Kumar	Punjab	2,50,000
72.		Ms Ganga Bai	Jharkhand	5,00,000
73.		Shri Tanay Harsh	Bihar	2,50,000
74.		Shri Maharaj Krishon Kaushik	Delhi	5,00,000
75.		Shri Ravinder Pal Singh	Uttar Pradesh	5,00,000
76.		Shri Joseph James	Karnataka	2,50,000
77.		Ms. Tejaswini Bai		2,00,000
78.		Shri Akash	Uttar Pradesh	5,00,000
79.		Ms. Sangeeta Kumari	Jharkhand	2,50,000
80.		Shri Najeeb Aga	Karnataka	97,910

81.		Shri. Anay Bai	Haryana	2,50,000
82.		Shri Harshit Agarwal	Karnataka	2,42,000
83.		Ms. Sunita Devi	Haryana	5,00,000
84.		Ms. Mona	Haryana	5,00,000
