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

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2683 TO BE ANSWERD ON 02.08.2022

#### **Schemes for Sports Equipments**

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

(a) whether there is any scheme/provision for providing sports equipments in various sports training centers in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the condition of sports equipments available in various sports training centers in the country is regularly checked;

(c) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof; and

(d) if not, the other measures taken/being taken by the Government to ensure the maintenance and working of these equipments?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS [SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]

(a) "Sport" being a State subject, the responsibility of promotion and development of sports, including providing sports equipment, rests primarily with the respective State/UT Government. The Central Government (Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports) supplements their efforts through various schemes, viz. Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs), Khelo India Scheme and other sports promotional schemes run by the Sports Authority of India (SAI).

Under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, the identified promising athletes/teams are provided preparatory training at the National Coaching Camps, including wholesome nutritious diet, food supplements, equipment, state-of-the-art infrastructure, lodging, travelling facilities, services of reputed Indian and foreign coaches/supporting staff, scientific & medical support, sports kit, etc., besides financial assistance for their training abroad and participation in international competitions in India and abroad.

Under the Khelo India Centre Component of the Khelo India Scheme, funds are released to a KIC at the rate of  $\gtrless$  5 Lakh per annum as recurring grant (for 04 years) and additionally, a one-time grant of  $\gtrless$  5 Lakh is also released once the Centre is designated. Moreover, Khelo India State Centres of Excellence (KISCE) are supported with Coaches, Sports Equipment, etc. based on viability gap analysis conducted jointly with the respective State Governments.

Also, Khelo India Athletes, undergoing training in an accreditated academy, are entitled to ₹5,00,000/- per annum for training purposes which includes funding for sports equipment, coaches, boarding, lodging, sports kit and other modern facilities.

The Sports Promotional Schemes run by SAI also include the provision of providing sports equipment in identified sports disciplines.

At the various National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs) too, nonconsumable equipment is provided as per demand and a variable recurring amount is given for consumable equipment in various sport disciplines (varying from ₹40,000/- to ₹1,00,000/- per athlete). In SAI Training Centre (STC) scheme, funds for consumable and nonconsumable equipment are provided as per the strength of trainees, whereas, in Extension Centres of STC, a lump-sum amount of ₹1,00,000/- is provided for infrastructure and equipment support.

(b) to (d) The sports equipment available in SAI Centres is checked and maintained on a regular basis by the respective Regional Centres/ Academic Institutions. Further, demand for any new equipment is considered only after doing the gap analysis of the equipment available at each Centre.

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