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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1055 ANSWERED ON 29.07.2024

To Develop Infrastructure for Archery in Sikkim under 'One State, One Sport'

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any initiative to develop infrastructure for archery in Sikkim State under 'One State, One Sport';
- (b) the details of the funds allocated by the Government for promotion of 'One State, One Sport', State-wise; and
- (c) the initiatives taken by the Government for promotion of sports at the school level?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS { DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA }

- (a) and (b) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including development of sports infrastructure, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts. Under One State One Game (OSOG) initiative of this Ministry, all States/Union Territories have identified three priority sports disciplines. Sikkim has identified Archery, Athletics and Boxing as its first, second and third priority sports disciplines, respectively. Further, funds are allocated scheme-wise and not State-wise in this Ministry.
- (c) Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing the Central Sector Scheme of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) from the year 2018-19 to provide quality education to the tribal children from Class VI to XII in their own environment. Under this Scheme, one EMRS has to be established in blocks having more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons (as per census 2011). Accordingly, Ministry has set the target to set up 740 EMRSs across the country. Additionally, to encourage tribal students in sports and provide them with a platform to enhance their capabilities,

Ministry has decided to set up 15 Centres of Excellence for Sports (CoE for Sports) in EMRSs.

Under the Samagra Shiksha Scheme of Ministry of Education, Sports and Physical Education component has been introduced for encouragement of Sports, Physical activities, Yoga, Co-curricular activities, etc. in schools. A provision has been made for Government schools for grant for sports equipment at the rate of Rs. 5000 for Primary Schools, Rs. 10,000 for upper primary schools and up to Rs. 25,000 for secondary and senior secondary schools per annum. During the Year 2023-24, an outlay of Rs. 812.42 Crore has been approved under Sports Grant for Government Schools of all States/UTs.

Additionally, as part of the scheme supporting quality improvement, a composite school grant is provided annually to all government schools. These funds are used for the maintenance of playgrounds and the procurement of both consumable and non-consumable sports items.
