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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1008 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2024

Opportunities for Retired Sportspersons

1008. SMT. POONAMBEN HEMATBHAI MAADAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to provide opportunities for retired sportspersons to actively participate in the growth of sports in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is implementing specific initiatives to engage retired sportspersons in community outreach programs aimed at promoting sports and fitness among youth; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (d) The Ministry has launched the Retired Sportsperson Empowerment Training (RESET) Programme on 29.08.2024, which aims at facilitating retired athletes' career development by providing them tailor-made education for their academic enhancement supplemented with internship and empowering them with the necessary knowledge and skills for their transition into a suitable career option. The RESET Programme also aims at addressing the existing human resource gap in the sports sector.

The athletes, who have retired from an active sports career and are aged between 20-50 years and who have been winners of an International Medal/participants in international events or have been National medallists/State medallists/participants in competitions recognized by National Sports Federations/Indian Olympic Association/Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports are eligible to undergo courses being offered under RESET Programme.

In the initial phase, sixteen courses/programmes, namely, Strength & Conditioning Trainer, Sports Nutritionist, Sports Event Management, Corporate Wellness Trainer, Sports Masseur, Sports Entrepreneurship, Store Manager, Fitness Centre Manager, Physical Education Trainer, Fitness Trainer, Yoga Trainer, Venue Supervisor, Self-Defence Trainer, Community Sports Trainer, Camping & Trekking Guide and Facility Caretaker have been included in RESET Programme.
