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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1113 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2024

Encouraging Youth Towards Sports

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

- (a) the details of the schemes formulated to encourage youth towards sports in Madhya Pradesh, district-wise;
- (b) the number of students in Bhind and Datia districts benefited in higher education and universities through sports quota;
- (c) the opinion of the Government on the opening of indoor stadiums on a large scale in Bhind district; and
- (d) the details of the total amount spent by the Government on sports schemes, district-wise, especially in Bhind and Datia districts?

ANSWER

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

(a): Sports being a State subject, the responsibility of development and encouragement of sports, including youth in the country, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments, and the Central Government only supplements their efforts. However, the Government is running various sports promotional schemes across the country, including Madhya Pradesh. These schemes include: (i) Khelo India-National Programme for Development of Sports; (ii) Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs); (iii) Cash Awards to Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches; (iv) National Sports

Awards; (v) Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons; (vi) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Sports Welfare Scheme; (vii) National Sports Development Fund; and (viii) Running Sports Training Centres through Sports Authority of India (SAI). Details of these schemes are available in the public domain on the website of the Ministry at https://yas.nic.in/.

- (b): The Government does not maintain database regarding the number of students benefited in higher education and universities through sports quota.
- (c) and (d): For development of sports infrastructure including stadiums under the Khelo India Scheme, the proposals received from the State/UT Governments are considered based on the technical feasibility of the proposals, their adherence to the prescribed parameters, as well as the availability of funds.

Funds are allocated by this Ministry Scheme-wise, not District-wise. However, details of the funding under the Khelo India Scheme for the state of Madhya Pradesh is available on its website at https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in/.

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