Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (Department of Sports)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2133 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024

Promotion of Sports in Schools

2133. SHRI CHARANJIT SINGH CHANNI:

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

- (a) the details of sportspersons who got Government jobs under sports category in various departments during the last five years, State/ UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to promote sports in collaboration with private and Government schools to include compulsory sports activities in their curriculum and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government intends to provide financial assistance to promote sports in schools and if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The data regarding sportspersons who got Government jobs under sports category in various departments is not maintained by this Ministry.
- (b) and (c): The integrated scheme Samagra Shiksha of the Government has Sports and Physical Education component wherein grants for sports equipment for indoor and outdoor games is given to Government schools. The grant for sports equipment is given 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. Further, the revised guidelines for Sports grants have been issued to States/ UTs as per the recommendations of National Education Policy, 2020 to ensure proper utilization of the grants. These guidelines are available in public domain on the link https://samagra.education.gov.in/docs/revised_samagra_sports.pdf.

Apart from this, the Government extends support through Khelo India Centres where training of willing children is facilitated. Also, Youth Games have been launched as a platform for participation of youth, including school children, so far 6 editions of which have been concluded. The fund disbursement of Khelo India Centres and Khelo India Youth Games can be found at https://dashboard.kheloindia.gov.in/state-wise-khelo-india-centers
