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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 46 TO BE ANSWERED ON - 25.11.2024

Hosting 2036 Olympics

46. SHRI TEJASVI SURYA:

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

(a) whether it is true that the Government has formally applied for the hosting rights for the 2036 Olympics, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the preparedness for organising the Olympics along with the the improvements in creation and upgradation of sports infrastructure in the country during the last ten years; and

(c) the details and impact of the Khelo India Movement in unearthing sporting talent?

ANSWER

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

(a) Bidding to host Olympics in India is the responsibility of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA). On 01.10.2024 IOA issued Letter of Intent to International Olympic Committee (IOC) to host Olympic and Paralympic Games in India, in 2036.

(b) & (c) Augmentation of sports infrastructure for organising sports events including multi sports events in the country is an ongoing process. The Central Government is implementing the Khelo India Scheme, since 2016-17, under which support is provided for Creation and Upgradation of sports infrastructure. Further, the details and impact of the Khelo India scheme are as under:

- i. 323 new sports infrastructure projects approved in 32 States / Union Territories.
- ii. A total of 1041 KICs across the country have been notified till date across 36 States/UTs, out of which 960 KICs are currently operational.
- iii. A total of 301 academies have been accredited for the training of Khelo India athletes (KIAs).
- A total of 2781 Khelo India Athletes have been notified across 21 sports (including para sports). These have been selected from various national championships, open selection trials, and assessment camps.
- v. A total of 15 Editions of Khelo India Games have been organised so far including 6 Editions of Khelo India Youth Games, 4 Editions of Khelo India University Games, 4 Editions of Khelo India Winters Games and 1 Edition of Khelo India Para Games, with the participation of more than 48,000 Athletes.
- vi. Various initiatives under the Fit India Movement have been undertaken to promote a culture of fitness and healthy lifestyle. These initiatives are Fit India Quiz, National Sports Day, Fit India Swachhata Freedom Run, Fit India Week, Fit India Mobile App, Fit India Influencers and Fit India Champions Podcast.

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