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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 116 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2025

Mountaineering and Skiing Institute in Kargil

116. SHRI MOHMAD HANEEFA:

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

- (a) whether there is huge potential for mountaineering and skiing in Kargil District of UT Ladakh and there is need for establishing mountaineering and skiing institutes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to establish the said institutes in Kargil along with the initiatives taken in this regard?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS [DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA]

a) to c): Jawahar Institute of Mountaineering and Winter Sports (JIM&WS), Pahalgam, under the aegis of Ministry of Defence has its training centres at Sonmarg, Gulmarg, Sanasar, Bhaderwah and Shey Leh (Ladakh) for conducting mountaineering and skiing courses. The participants from all over the country, including from the Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh, subscribe to these courses. The Institute is co-funded by Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and Government of Jammu & Kashmir. Currently, there is no proposal for establishing Mountaineering and Skiing Institute in Kargil.
