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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1798 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025

Construction of Auditoriums at Rural Level

†1798. Smt. Lovely Anand:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct auditoriums or other infrastructure at the rural level across the country to promote sports;
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal to sanction the construction of an auditorium to promote sports at Madhuban Block of Sheohar Parliamentary Constituency in Bihar;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of steps being taken by the Government to promote sports especially in rural areas?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS { DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA}

- (a) to (c) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including construction of auditoriums or other infrastructure including at the rural level across the country to promote sports, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. No such proposal is under consideration this Ministry.
- (d) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports implements the following schemes to promote sports including in rural areas of the country and to develop interest in sports among the youth:
- (i) Scheme of "Khelo India- National Programme for Development of Sports";
- (ii) Assistance to National Sports Federations; (iii) Special 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) Sports Training Centres through Sports Authority of India.

Details of the above schemes are available in the public domain on the websites of this Ministry (https://yas.nic.in) and the Sports Authority of India (https://sportsauthorityofindia.nic.in).
