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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2577 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025

Improving Sports Infrastructure in Mohanlalganj

2577. Shri R K Chaudhary:

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

- (a) whether any specific programmes or initiatives implemented by the Government to engage the youth of Mohanlalganj in sports and physical activities;
- (b) the manner in which the Government is identifying and nurturing young sports talent in Mohanlalganj;
- (c) whether the Government has organised any local talent scouting programmes or scholarships in Mohanlalganj, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps are being taken by the Government to improve sports infrastructure in Mohanlalganj, such as building stadiums, training centres or playgrounds;
- (e) the budget allocated and utilised for sports and youth development in Mohanlalganj along with the manner in which it is being utilized;
- (f) whether the Government has organized any district or State-level sports events in Mohanlalganj to provide a platform for young athletes; and
- (g) if so, the details of the major challenges faced by the Government to promote sports in Mohanlalganj along with the solutions being implemented?

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

(a) to (g) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including engaging youth in sports and physical activities,

identifying and nurturing young sports talent, organising local talent scouting programmes or scholarships, improving sports infrastructure such as building stadiums, training centres or playgrounds and organising district or State-level sports events to provide a platform for young athletes, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. However, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) implements the following schemes for the development of sports across the country, including in the State of Uttar Pradesh:

(i) 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 Welfare Program for Sportspersons; (vii) National Sports Development Fund; and (viii) Running 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).

Funds are allocated Scheme-wise and not State-wise in this Ministry. Details of funds allocated under various schemes of this Ministry sports and youth development during last three years are as under:

| Financial Year | Funds allocated (in Rs. Crore) |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 2023-24 | 3396.96 |
| 2022-23 | 2673.35 |
| 2021-22 | 2757.02 |
