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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *303 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025

Allocation of Funds for Sports Infrastructure Development

*303. Dr. Kalanidhi Veeraswamy:

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

- (a) the details of allocation of funds by the Government under various schemes such as Khelo India, National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) and infrastructure development during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether one State has received more funds from the Government than all the South Indian States during the last financial year and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any criteria in place to ensure equitable and need-based distribution of sports funding across all the States in the country; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to strengthen sports infrastructure, training academies and talent identification in the Southern States of the country?

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

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *303 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025 REGARDING "ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT" ASKED BY DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY, HON'BLE MEMBER OF LOK SABHA

(a) Funds are allocated Scheme-wise and not State-wise in this Ministry. The details of funds allocated under various Sports Development Schemes of the Department of Sports across the country, including under Khelo India, National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) and infrastructure development, during the last three years are as under:

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Financial Year	Funds allocated	
2024-25	2332.50	
2023-24	2380.86	
2022-23	1907.69	

The details of the sports infrastructure sanctioned under Khelo India Scheme and NSDF, across the country, are available in public domain on the dashboard of the Ministry at https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in and http://www.nsdf.yas.gov.in/nsdf-glance.html, respectively.

(b) to (d) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including strengthening of sports infrastructure, training academies and talent identification, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. The schemes of this Ministry are demand-driven under which financial assistance is considered for proposals received from State/UT Governments and eligible entities based on clear criteria, including the completeness of the proposal, its technical feasibility, and the availability of resources. Financial assistance is provided to State Governments primarily under various components of the Khelo India Scheme. In addition, funds under the Schemes of this Department are released as per the various criteria viz. receipt of Utilisation Certificates (UCs) and other related documents. To promote sports across the country, including the strengthening of sports infrastructure, training academies, and talent identification in the Southern States, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports implements several key initiatives. These include the Khelo India - National Programme for Development of Sports, Assistance to National Sports Federations, National Sports Development Fund (NSDF), and running Sports Training Centres through the Sports Authority of India (SAI). Details of the above schemes are available in the public domain on the websites of this Ministry and the Sports Authority of India.
