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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1364 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2025

Demand of Sports Academy in Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency

1364. Md Abu Taher Khan:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency is one of the lagging Constituency in terms of Sports;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has any proposal to establish a well equipped sports academy in Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (a) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, rests primarily with the respective State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government only supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has not conducted any study to assess if Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency is one of the lagging Constituency in terms of Sports.
- (b) and (c) Under the Khelo India Scheme, sports academies are accredited based on proposals received from State Government. No proposal has been received from the State Government of West Bengal for accreditation of sports academy in Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency. However, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Station Road, Swarnamoyee, P.O. Berhampore, District Murshidabad, has been notified as a Khelo India Centre in the Murshidabad Lok Sabha Constituency.
