Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Department of Sports

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2328 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025

National and International Sports Events

†2328. Smt. Delkar Kalaben Mohanbhai: Shri Nilesh Dnyandev Lanke: Shri Bhumare Sandipanrao Asaram: Dr. Shivaji Bandappa Kalge:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any decision regarding the request of the Dadra and Nagar Haveli (UT) and State Government of Maharashtra to grant approval for organizing national sports event like Khelo India and other international events;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has provided any financial assistance for improving the sports infrastructure to organise the national and international sports events in the said States/UT;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) and (b) Under the Khelo India Scheme, there is no pending request from State of Maharashtra or UT of Daman & Diu and Dadra and Nagar Haveli for organizing Khelo India Games.

However, the 2nd edition of Khelo India Youth Games was organised in Pune, Maharashtra from 9th January to 20th January, 2019 with the

participation of more than 5000 athletes from 36 States/UTs in 18 Sports Disciplines. Further, the 1st edition of Khelo India Beach Games was organised in Diu, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli from 19th May to 24th May, 2025 with the participation of more than 800 athletes from 36 States/UTs in 06 Competitive Sports Disciplines and 02 Demo Sports Disciplines.

(c) to (e) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including providing financial assistance for improving sports infrastructure to organise the national and international sports events, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. However, the Khelo India Scheme and National Sports Development Fund (NSDF), implemented by this Ministry, under which financial assistance for development of sports infrastructure is provided are demand-driven schemes. The details of the sports infrastructure projects approved and their sanctioned cost, funds released and their physical and financial progress, under Khelo India Scheme and NSDF, across the country, including in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu and the State Government of Maharashtra, are available the domain on dashboards the Ministry public https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in and http://www.nsdf.yas.gov.in/nsdfglance.html.
