

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2755
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2026**

Internship Policy for Promotion of Sports Ecosystem

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

(a) the key features and objectives of the overall internship policy launched in December 2025 for sports ecosystem;

(b) the details of eligible internship areas such as sports science, anti-doping, event management and player support services along with the institutional partners involved therein;

(c) the mechanisms implemented for transition towards monitoring, certification and formal roles for the interns who complete the programme; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to develop outcome indicators to evaluate the long-term impact of the internship policy on employability and sports professionalisation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) A Comprehensive Internship Policy has been launched for the Department of Sports and its Autonomous Bodies to provide structured opportunities for young professionals, researchers and students to gain practical exposure in sports administration,

management, science and governance. The details of the Policy, including its salient features and objectives, the eligible areas for internship such as sports science, anti-doping, event management and athlete support services, the institutional partners associated with the programme, the number of internship opportunities available, as well as the mechanisms established for monitoring, certification and facilitating the transition of interns into formal roles upon successful completion of the programme, are available in the public domain on the website of this Ministry.

(d) No sir. However, the policy objective is to provide the opportunity for the eligible youth to understand and experience the sports ecosystem with a long term view to improve the employability and professionalism in the sports sector.
