

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2729
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2015**

Sports Facilities and Rural Youth

**†2729. SHRI HARI MANJHI:
SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:**

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct stadium with state-of-art facilities to encourage rural youth to participate in sports during the current financial year, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the details of the stadium constructed during the last three years along with the amount allocated for this purpose, year and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has made any scheme to identify the sports talent in rural areas, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of sports camps organised in the rural areas, year and State-wise during the last three years?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports does not propose to construct stadium with state-of-art facilities for rural youth during current financial year.

(c) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has formulated and issued National Sports Talent Search Scheme (NSTSS) for identification of sporting talent among students in the country, including rural areas, in

the age group of 8–12 years, who possess inborn qualities such as anthropometric, physical and physiological capabilities without any anatomical infirmities. No funds could be released under the NSTSS so far as steps are being taken to restructure the Scheme in consultations with States to a Central Sector Scheme.

(d) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports does not implement any Scheme having provisions for organizing sports camps in rural areas.
