GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1798 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2016

Skilling the Youth

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

(a) the details regarding the success/ failure of Make in India initiative in skilling and providing opportunities for the youth;

(b) the steps being taken to attract and make a secure environment for the young females/girls taking up sporting activities; and

(c) whether any effort is being made to make the sports played by women such as cricket and hockey become lucrative, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) The Government has launched the 'Make in India' initiative, which aims at promoting India as an important investment destination and a global hub for manufacturing design and innovation. The initiative is aimed at creating conducive environment for investment, development of modern and efficient infrastructure, opening up new sectors for foreign investments and forging a partnership between government and industry through a positive mindset. The implementation of programme is a continuing process involving various Ministries/Departments and other stakeholders.

(b) For providing safe and secure environment to sportspersons including females/girls, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has issued guidelines to all recognized National Sports Federations on 23rd April 2015 for providing and making arrangements for requisite facilities relating to playing arena, its accessibility, neat and clean toilets, provision for drinking water, proper resting place, separate changing rooms for boys and girls, neat and clean lodging facilities, adequately equipped with toilets including disabled-friendly toilets, proper transportation facilities for players and officials from the place of stay to the venue of championship, etc.

(c) All schemes of the Department of Sports including those relating to incentives to sportspersons are inclusive schemes and are equally applicable to women sportspersons also.