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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1559 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03-05-2016

Performance in Hosting International Events

1559. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRSAND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has commissioned any study of performance of the Government in hosting international events, if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government proposes to commission such a study;
- (b) whether subsequent issues in utilization of funds especially in the Commonwealth Games, 2010, the Government has put in place efficient checks and mechanisms for better utilization of funds for hosting such events, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any new methods implemented for better organisation of the XII South Asian Games recently held in the country, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has approached the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ahmadabad to conduct a study on recently held 12th South Asian Games 2016 (12th SAG 2016) from 5th to 16th February 2016.
- (b): Keeping in view the observations made by various agencies such as Central Vigilance Commission, Central Bureau of Investigation etc., Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has formulated guidelines containing Dos and Don'ts in hosting of national / International sports events and the same have been circulated to Sports Authority of India, Indian Olympic Association, National Sports federations, etc. The same were also endorsed to Organising committee of 12th SAG 2016 for compliance.

(c): An Internal Working Group (IWG) chaired by Secretary (Sports) was constituted in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports for monitoring progress of various aspects / activities of the 12th SAG 2016. Meetings of IWG were held on weekly basis. A former Deputy Comptroller & Auditor General was also engaged as Ethical Advisor to oversee the implementation of 12th SAG 2016. These two mechanisms and chairing of the Organizing Committee of 12th South Asian Games by Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charges) Youth Affairs & Sports, led to better coordinated effort resulting in successful conduct of the 12th South Asian Games.
