

(क) क्या इलाहाबाद में खुसरोबाग के नाम से कोई ऐतिहासिक मुगलकालीन मकबरा है, यदि हाँ, तो वह किस स्थिति में है;

(ख) क्या उसकी दशा खराब स्थिति में है, यदि हाँ, तो इसके अनुरक्षण, सौन्दर्यकरण और इसे पर्यटकों के लिए उपयुक्त बनाने हेतु सरकार क्या कदम उठा रही है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार ने राष्ट्रीय स्मारक के निर्माण हेतु कोई योजना तैयार की है, यदि हाँ, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और उक्त कार्य के लिए सरकार कितनी धनराशि घोषित करने जा रही है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डा० मुरली मनोहर जोशी): (क) और (ख) खुसरोबाग, इलाहाबाद में स्थित स्मारक समूह केन्द्र द्वारा संरक्षित स्मारक है और संरक्षण की अच्छी हालत में है।

इन स्मारकों का रख-रखाव एवं संरक्षण कार्य उनकी आवश्यकता के अनुसार उपलब्ध संसाधनों के अधीन किया जाता है। भ्रमणकर्ताओं को पीने के पानी की सुविधा उपलब्ध है। एक शौचालय खंड का भी निर्माण किया गया है।

(ग) भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण केवल केन्द्र द्वारा संरक्षित स्मारकों का रख-रखाव एवं संरक्षण करता है। यह राष्ट्रीय स्मारकों का निर्माण नहीं करता है।

Proposals for Making Sports More Attractive

554. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some proposals for making sports more attractive are being considered;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the hitches in putting sports in the concurrent list of the Constitution?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, with a view to making sports more attractive the Government has considered increasing the amount of Cash Awards given to the medal winners of International Sports events under the scheme of "Special Award to Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches". The proposed increase in amount *vis-a-vis* the existing one is as follows:

Name of Game/ Championship	Amount (Rupees in lakhs)					
	Gold medal First position		Silver medal Second position		Bronze medal Third position	
	Existing prize money	Proposed prize money	Existing prize money	Proposed prize money	Existing prize money	Proposed prize money
For winning						
(i) Olympic and Official World Championship.	5	15	3	9	2	6
(ii) Asian Games/Commonwealth Games.	1	5	0.75	3	0.50	2
(iii) Official Asian Championship & Official Commonwealth Championships.	0.50	1.5	0.40	1.0	0.30	0.75

A new scheme called the "Scheme for Assisting Promising Sports-persons and Supporting Personnel" has been introduced wherein eminent sports persons can be given amounts upto Rs. 5 lakhs for equipment, training, engagement of coaches and scientific support.

(c) The process of bringing Sports under Concurrent list is under process and an all party meeting to discuss the subject is slated to be called by the Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs shortly.

Scheme to Promote Primary Education

555. SHRI SHIBU SOREN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government spent Rs. 2000 crores on the scheme to promote primary education under the 'Operation Blackboard' scheme in 1986-87;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any national evaluation has been made/is being made to study the project;

(d) if so, the details of the evaluation and its findings alongwith the names of agencies engaged for such evaluation; and

(e) what further action has been taken after the evaluation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) The scheme of Operation Blackboard was launched by this Department in 1987-88. A sum of Rs. 2081.16 crores has been released to State Governments/UT Administrations for implementation of the scheme upto 1997-98.

(c) to (e) The National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) has recently been entrusted the task of conducting a national evaluation of the Operation Blackboard scheme. The evaluation is underway in collaboration with reputed research and evaluation agencies in the country.

Sports Related Projects in Himachal Pradesh

556. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of play ground, indoor stadium and other sports-related projects presently existing in Himachal Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) the details of such projects examined and sanctioned during the last three years; and

(c) what are Government's plans to develop such projects?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) As per record of the last ten years, the district-wise details of sports infrastructure created with Central assistance in Himachal Pradesh are given in the Statement-I (See below)

(b) the details of Central assistance provided for such projects during the last three years are given in the Statement-II. (See below)

(c) Depending upon the receipt of viable proposals from the Government of Himachal Pradesh, admissible Central assistance would be provided for creation of sports facilities.