

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.

Statement—I

District-wise details of sports infrastructure created with Central assistance in Himachal Pradesh

S. No.	Name of Project	Distr.	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lacs)	Year in which Sanctioned
1.	Utility Stadium at Jukhala	Bilaspur	2.59	1987-88
2.	Addl. Court Yard for games in Primary School, Roura.	do	0.57	1987-88
3.	Playfield at Govt. High School, Auhar.	do	0.732	1987-88
4.	Indoor Training Centre Bilaspur	do	52.50	1994-95
5.	Playfield in Grant Panchyat, Mohla,	Chamba	0.75	1988-89
6.	Utility Stadium at Banikhet	do	6.79	1987-88
7.	Multi-gymnasium at Killar (Pangi)	do	8.63	1986-87
8.	Stadium at Holi	do	2.50	1986-87
9.	Stadium at Chamba	do	2.50	1984-85
10.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Tal	Hamirpur	0.89375	1995-96
11.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Maharal	do	0.89375	1995-96
12.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Hamirpur.	do	0.89375	1995-96
13.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Jungle	do	0.89375	1995-96
14.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Jalari.	do	0.89375	1995-96
15.	Stadium at Jaisinghpur, Kangra		3.72	1987-88
16.	Stadium at Jaliana Punchrukhi	do	0.75	1987-88
17.	Gymnasium at Palampur	do	12.50	1985-86
18.	Utility Stadium at Baijnath	do	3.24	1987-88
19.	Palyfield at Sidhahari Dharamshala.	do	0.747	1987-88

S. No.	Name of Project	Distt.	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lacs)	Year in which Sanctioned
20.	SPDA Centre at Dharmshala	do	49.00	1993-94
21.	Basketball Court at G.A.V Sr. Sec. School, Kangra	do	0.90	1995-96
22.	Football ground at sacred Heart High School, Sidhapur	do	1.24	1995-96
23.	Stadium at Kalpa	Kinnaur	9.00	1986-87
24.	Stadium at Kulu	Kulu	9.00	1986-87
25.	Stadium at Paddal Ground Mandi.	Mandi	9.00	1987-88
26.	Playfield at Govt. Middle School, Kol	do	0.68	1987-88
27.	Playfield at Bhatog, Drang	do	0.745	1987-88
28.	Swimming Pool at Bhuli	do	30.00	1995-96
29.	Mini Stadium at Kotli	do	2.24	1997-98
30.	Playfield in Govt. School, Khunni	Shimla	0.746	1998-89
31.	Stadium at Rohru	do	12.50	1986-87
32.	Playfield at Nankhari	do	0.50	1986-87
33.	Playfield at Engine Ghar Sanjauli	do	0.54	1987-88
34.	Stadium at Govt. High School, Mandhoj	do	8.95	1986-87
35.	Indira Gandhi Sports Complex at Shimla	do	181.00	1993-94
36.	Outdoor Stadium at Junga	do	8.32	1995-96
37.	Playfield at Sr. Sec. School, Paonta Sahib	Sirmour	0.75	1987-88
38.	Stadium at Nalagarh	Solan	3.29	1986-87
39.	Distt. Level Stadium at Una.	Una	2.50	1986-87
40.	Swimming Pool at Una	Una	30.00	1993-94

Statement—II*Details of Central Assistance provided for sports-related Project*

S. No.	Name of the Project	Distt.	Amount (Rs. in Lacs) Sanctioned
			1995-96
1.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Tal	Hamirpur	0.89375
2.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Maharal	do	0.89375
3.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Hamirpur	do	0.89375
4.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School, Jungle	do	0.89375
5.	Basketball Court at Govt. High School Jalari	do	0.89375
6.	Basketball Court at G.A.V. Sr. Sec. School, Kangra	Kangra	0.90
7.	Football ground at Sacred Heart High School Sidhapur.	do	1.24
8.	Swimming Pool at Bhuli	Mandi	30.00
9.	Outdoor Stadium at Junga.	Shimla	8.32
			1996-97
			NIL
			1997-98
1.	Mini Stadium at Kotli	Mandi	2.24

Conversion of Arunachal University as Central University

557. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Arunachal Pradesh Government for conversion of Arunachal University into a Central University;

(b) whether such conversion would help in overcoming the present financial constraints of the said university; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c)

A proposal for conversion of Arunachal University as a Central University was received from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh. The Government is not considering the proposal of conversion of the existing University into a Central University.

Allocations Mid-day Meal programme

558. DR. MANMOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise and State-wise allocation for the mid-day meal programme for primary school children launched in 1995-96; and