

and for providing requisite technical and scientific back up. Apart from this, the Ministry also provides financial assistance of upto Rs. 5.00 lakh each to national champions and medal winners of Olympic/Asian/Commonwealth/Afro-Asian Games and World Championships for the purchase of equipment, scientific support and training & participation in sports events in India and abroad, under the scheme for Talent Search and Training.

The Ministry also provides financial assistance to eminent sportspersons and medalists of Olympic, Asian and Commonwealth Games for training abroad from the National Sports Development Fund.

Commonwealth games village and other venues

3032. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure amount to be spent on Commonwealth Games village and other venues;

(b) the approximate amount to be funded by the Central Government for the above purpose;

(c) the details of the works to be undertaken; and

(d) the approximate date of completion of the works of the Commonwealth Village and other venues?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKARAIYAR): (a) and (b) As per the proposals received from the various agencies concerned with the construction/development of venues and training infrastructure viz., Sports Authority of India (SAI), Delhi Development Authority (DDA) and All India Tennis Association (AITA); upgradation of civic infrastructure, including transportation, etc. which is to be done by the Government of NCT of Delhi; the actual conduct of the Games by the Organising Committee, and preliminary estimates for the preparation of the teams for the Games, the estimated expenditure would be around Rs. 3,750.00 crores. This does not include security related expenditure, which is being dealt separately by Ministry of Home Affairs. Out of the above

mentioned expenditure, funds for the conduct of the Games would be provided to the Organising Committee on a 'revenue-neutral' basis.

(c) The broad items of work proposed to be undertaken are: construction of a Games Village; construction of one indoor stadium each at J.N. Stadium for Weightlifting, IG Sports Complex for Wrestling, Siri Fort for Badminton & Squash and Yamuna Sports Complex for Table Tennis. In view of inability shown by Delhi University to build the venue for Aquatics, the venues Aquatic Centres and Rugby 7's are under review. Besides the above, the available sports infrastructure with Sports Authority of India (Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Indira Gandhi Stadium/Velodrome, Major Dyan Chand Stadium, Dr. S.P. Mukherjee Stadium & Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range), Delhi Development Authority (Siri Fort Sports Complex) and Government of NCT of Delhi (Tyagraj Sports Complex) will be suitably upgraded. The required civic infrastructure will also be created and upgraded by the Government of NCT of Delhi.

(d) The work on the sports venues in proposed to be completed by December 2009, the Games Village by August 2010, and civic infrastructure in phases by September 2010.

New Stadia and complexes for Commonwealth Games

3033. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new stadia and sports complexes being developed for the ensuing Commonwealth Games to be held in Delhi and National Capital Region (NCR);

(b) whether any monitoring committee (under Central/State level) has so far been set up, having representation from DTC, Delhi Metro, Delhi Police, Tourism Ministry and various other State and Central Government agencies to coordinate this mega event;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of new stadia constructed, till date and number thereof in pipeline, please give details?