

Promotion of sports in U.P.

3343. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial assistance granted to various institutions engaged in promotion and development of sports in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years; and

(b) the details of target fixed and achievements made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) The details of Central assistance provided to Government of Uttar Pradesh, Institutions like Schools, Colleges in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years i.e. 2002-03 to 2004-05 under the Sports Infrastructure Schemes have been given below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Amount released (Rs. in lakhs)		
		2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
1.	Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure	16.29	46.94	69.23
2.	Grants to Rural Schools	21.05	39.60	51.11
3.	Grants for Promotion of Sports in Universities & Colleges	60.24	101.56	158.65

(b) Till 31.3.2005, this Ministry was operating the Centrally Sponsored Sports Infrastructure Schemes under which Central assistance was provided to Government of Uttar Pradesh, Schools, Colleges etc. in Uttar Pradesh for creation of sports facilities subject to receipt of viable proposals from the States and other agencies. The Centrally Sponsored Sports Infrastructure Schemes have been transferred to the State sector w.e.f. 1.4.2005, and accordingly, no allocation has been made in the budget for 2005-2006 for Sports Infrastructure Schemes. All States were informed in this regard in February, 2005. Moreover, State-wise targets were not fixed/ funds were not allocated under the Scheme. Achievements are enumerated in (a) above.