

36 integrated sports complexes under the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan (RGKA) was submitted by the State Government of Karnataka *vide* their letter dated 27.11.2014. However, same could not be approved as the proposal was not complete as per the norms laid down in the RGKA Scheme and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) for funds released under the RGKA Scheme for holding of annual sports competitions are pending.

(b) Since the proposal is still incomplete as per the laid down norms of the RGKA Scheme, despite the deficiencies having been conveyed to the State Government of Karnataka, and UCs for grants released under RGKA are yet to be settled, no sanction has been issued and consequently no funds have been released.

(c) Sanctions for release of grants can be issued by the Ministry only when proposals received are complete in all respects as per the laid down norms of the RGKA Scheme and subject to settlement of outstanding UCs and availability of funds.

**Policy for selection of sportspersons for training abroad**

2716. SHRI R.K. SINHA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the policy of Government to select sportspersons to send abroad for training;
- (b) the category-wise number of sports youths delegates sent abroad to familiarize and adapt to foreign climatic conditions, during the last five years;
- (c) the category-wise details of funds allocated and spent on this account during the last five years; and
- (d) whether Government is considering any exchange programme with foreign countries to boost quality of sports in India, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL): (a) Top level sportspersons, who are medal winning prospects in Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games and other international competitions, are given financial assistance under National Sports Development Fund (NSDF). They include the athletes selected under the newly formulated programme namely, 'Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme', who are potential medal winners in Olympic Games 2016 and 2020. The assistance is given for their customized training both in India and abroad, to prepare them for winning medals at international levels.

(b) and (c) The list of sportspersons who have undergone training abroad with NSDF assistance is given in the Statement at Statement-I (*See below*).

(d) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with a number of countries such as Australia, Seychelles, Mauritius, Turkey, New Zealand, Hungary, Kuwait, the Netherlands and France for cooperation in the field of sports, which provide for exchange of experts and information in various fields such as Sports Science, Sports Medicine, Sports Education, Sports Management, Sports Infrastructure Development, Physical Education and Fitness Development Programs.

**Statement-I***NSDF Assistance to sportspersons for sports training*

(₹ In lacs)

Name of the Sportsperson	Discipline	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	Total
Anil Kumar	Athletics		2.26					2.26
Om Prakash Singh Karhana	Athletics		40.78	19.18	0.30	15.48		75.74
Krishna Poonia	Athletics		31.07	42.52		21.91		95.50
Vikas Gowda	Athletics		25.84	28.80	11.80	46.08	16.79	129.31
Mayookha Johny	Athletics		17.19	16.67				33.86
Preeja Sreedharan, Kavita Raut, O.P. Jaisha, Sudha Singh	Athletics		22.27	50.08		4.49		76.84
Parimarjan Negi	Chess	5.05	10.95	7.47	8.00	2.56		34.03
Lt Col Rajesh Pattu	Equestrian			12.15	9.67	12.02		33.84
Ashish Kumar, Iqrar Hasan, Rakesh Patra, Alok Ranajan, Dipa Karmarkar, B Arjuna, Rucha Divekar, Roma Jogalekar, Meenakshi	Gymnastics		50.35					50.35
Abhinav Bindra	Shooting	63.79	72.88	59.53	26.07	50.06	37.42	309.75
Manavjit Singh Sandhu	Shooting	61.48	48.07	94.62	82.74	75.06	47.69	409.66
Mansher Singh	Shooting	39.73	19.47					59.20

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Ronjan Sodhi	Shooting	59.78	48.31	91.92	83.28	26.02	309.31
Sanjeev Rajput	Shooting			11.07			11.07
Shagun Chowdhary	Shooting		7.79	48.66	37.91	11.51	105.87
Joydeep Karmarkar	Shooting			22.31			22.31
Heena Sidhu	Shooting			11.13		51.82	15.13
Naresh Kumar Sharma	Shooting (Paralympics)			39.95			39.95
Dipika Pallikal	Squash			7.29	7.95	0.98	5.18
Somdev Dev varman	Tennis	6.19	33.30				39.49
Leander Paes	Tennis	22.08	8.25	36.64			66.97
Mahesh Bhupathi	Tennis		15.67	25.17			40.84
Sania Mirza	Tennis		10.94	23.72			34.66
Rohan Bopanna	Tennis		17.38				17.38
Yuki Bhambri	Tennis		7.13	12.03			19.16
Sanam Singh	Tennis		5.43	4.35			9.78
J. Vishnuvardhan	Tennis			9.77			9.77
Karan Rastogi	Tennis			6.74			6.74
Shiva Keshavan K. P.	Luge		2.69	2.25	10.82	16.75	32.51

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Arjun	Athletics					13.97		13.97
Seema Punia	Athletics					16.09	1.08	17.17
K. C. Ganapathy	Yachting					10.83		10.83
Harika Dronvalli	Chess					9.13		9.13
Varsha Gautam	Yachting					15.72	9.90	25.62
Aishwarya Nedunchezhiyan	Yachting					5.27	9.90	15.17
Ankur Mittal	Shooting						12.30	12.30
Anisa Sayyed	Shooting						2.44	2.44
Harinder Pal Singh	Squash						3.71	3.71
Kynan Chenai	Shooting						11.27	11.27
Mohd Ashab	Shooting						5.42	5.42
Kush Kumar	Squash						3.23	3.23
Master Nischay Luthra	Ice Skating						4.56	4.56
Saurav Ghosal	Squash						2.35	2.35
Mandeep Jangra	Boxing						5.36	5.36
Karamjyoti	Para Athlete						6.92	6.92
	TOTAL	258.10	498.02	684.02	278.54	405.75	200.65	2325.08

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