| 1   | 2                                     | 3        | 4       | 5        |
|-----|---------------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| 53. | Ball Badminton Federation of India    | 13.25    | 1.00    | 0.00     |
| 54. | Roll Ball Federation of India         | 4.51     | 0.00    | 0.00     |
| 55. | Jump Rope Fed. of India               | 9.50     | 3.00    | 0.00     |
| 56. | Winter Games Fed. of India            | 2.97     | 7.23    | 0.00     |
| 57. | Subroto Mukherjee Educational Society | 7.50     | 1.25    | 0.00     |
| 58. | Jawaharlal Nehru Hockey Tournament    | 8.87     | 2.25    | 0.00     |
|     | Society                               |          |         |          |
| 59. | South Asian Games                     | 0.00     | 0.00    | 6036.99  |
|     | Grand Total                           | 22276.90 | 7046.68 | 18633.98 |

## Prize money offered to sportspersons

2080. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GODWA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the prize money offered to men and women for national championships for all sports, category-wise;
- (b) whether the Ministry has acknowledged reasons for Dipika Pallikal, India's highest ranked squash player, boycotting the National Squash Championships;
  - (c) whether the Ministry plans to eliminate the discriminatory wage gap; and
  - (d) 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) to (d) Sir, promotion and Development of a sports discipline, including holding of national championships, is primarily the responsibility of the National Sports Federation (NSF) concerned. Government only supplements the efforts of the NSFs by providing financial assistance for participation in international events abroad, conducting national/international tournaments and training/coaching of national teams under Indian and Foreign Coaches/Experts, etc under the 'Scheme of Assistance to NSFs'. Under this scheme, provisions exist for providing assistance for boarding, lodging and transportation; prize money; certificates, medals and awards etc for conduct of the national championships. It is for the NSF to decide about the distribution of the assistance and differential amount for any component has not been prescribed under this scheme for male and female athletes of any sports discipline including Squash.