

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1591**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2021

Funds released to restart sports activities after lockdown

1591 Ch. Sukhram Singh Yadav:  
Smt. Chhaya Verma:  
Smt. Sampatiya Uikey:  
Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad:

Will the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds released to restart sports activities after lockdown, sport-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds released and spent to promote sports at rural/ town level during last three years; and
- (c) the details of facilities being provided to the players after lockdown to enable them to develop more interest in sports?

**ANSWER**  
THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
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(a) to (c) National Coaching Camps have been resumed for the 2021 Olympic bound athletes from 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2020 under “Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations”. Timetable has been formulated for the athletes (or group of athletes in case of team sport) so that they can train without coming in contact with the other athletes. Other than the coaches, support staff and necessary administrative staff, no one else was allowed to meet or interact with the athletes at the national camps due to Covid-related precautions. Further, regular online training classes were conducted for athletes by the coaches to keep them motivated and fit during lock down period. Athletes were provided with online training module for daily practice. Seminars and workshops were conducted in sports psychology, sports science/medicine, nutrition, strength & conditioning, high performance sports environment, anti-doping etc. Athletes & Coach Education Programme and Coach Development Programme (ACEP/ CDP) were conducted and lectures were delivered by the coaches and sports experts in different sports discipline.

Under the Annual Calendar for Training and Competitions (ACTC), Rs. 108 crore were spent during the period April, 2020 to February, 2021 for conducting various sports activities across the country. In addition, the National Sports Federations (NSFs) have also spent money for resumption of sports activities after lockdown. State-wise figures are not maintained in this Ministry.

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