# Government of India Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Rajya sabha

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## **Divyang Khel Kendras**

1904. SMT. AMBIKA SONI: SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL: SHRI SANJAY SETH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has set up Divyangta Khel Kendras across the country and if so, the details thereof and the aims and objective behind the move;
- (b) whether Government also proposes to establish National Sports Centres for physically handicapped in the country and if so, the time by when it will be established; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to provide an advanced sports infrastructure to ensure effective participation of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in sports activities and also to enable them to compete at National as well as International levels?

### **ANSWER**

# Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment

# (SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

- (a) to (b) Government has approved setting up of a Centre for Disability Sports (CDS) at Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh. The aims & objectives of the centre are as under:
  - To establish a state of the art international level Centre of excellence for sports for persons with disabilities (PwDs).
  - To provide training facilities for Divyang sportspersons at par with the latest facilities available elsewhere in the world.
  - To ensure participation of Divyangjan in sports activities and enable them to effectively compete in national and international events.
  - To help build confidence and develop a sense of belonging in Divyangjan to facilitate their integration in Society.
- (c) As per information furnished by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, the sports infrastructure and training centers are created by the Government so as to ensure effective participation of all, including persons with disabilities.

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