

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON- 06/02/2025

2036 OLYMPICS

480 SHRI YERRAM VENKATA SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that consultations have started to make the proposed 2036 Olympics a multi-city sports event in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that there is likelihood of hockey being held in Bhubaneswar, rowing in Bhopal, Canoeing and Kayaking in Pune and Cricket in Mumbai;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there are any discussions going on to add sports like Kabaddi, Kho-Kho in Olympics if they are held in India; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

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(a): Olympics has never been hosted in India. The allotment of hosting rights for the Olympics is done by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) through a detailed host selection process spelt out in the public domain. The IOC has a dedicated body, the Future Host Commission (FHC), which deals with this subject. The interested National Olympics Committees (NOCs) are required to initiate a dialogue with the FHC for award of hosting rights for a specific edition of the Olympic Games. The Indian Olympic Association (IOA), which is the NOC for India, has initiated the dialogue process with the FHC.

IOA has already issued Letter of Intent on 01.10.2024, formally expressing India's interest to host the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2036.

(b) & (c): At present, the bidding process of Olympics 2036 has not advanced to the stage where discussions regarding venues for different sports discipline have taken place.

(d) & (e): Inclusion of any sport discipline in the Olympic Games is decided by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Among other things, IOC has prescribed that a sport discipline must be governed by an International Federation which undertakes to follow the rules of the Olympic Charter and it must also be practised widely across the world and meet various criteria.
