

Statement-II

Grants released under the scheme of promotion of sports and games in schools

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
1.	Mizoram	6.00	4.50	—
2.	Haryana	9.50	11.50	—
3.	Tripura	4.00	—	4.00
4.	Himachal Pradesh	8.00	—	—
5.	Assam	13.50	13.50	—
6.	Punjab	10.50 (returned the whole amount unutilised)	—	—
7.	Gujarat	—	13.50	—
8.	Maharashtra	—	19.50	19.50
9.	Chhattisgarh	—	10.00	—
10.	Nagaland	—	6.00	—
11.	Manipur	—	—	6.50
12.	Uttaranchal	—	—	8.50
13.	Orissa	—	—	17.00

Promotion of sports among women

2005. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that out of 18 sports hostels of the Sports Authority of India there is only one sports hostel for women and no exclusive SPDA hostel for girls;

(b) whether it is also a fact that not much has been done by sports federations for development of sports among Indian women as compared to China and other European countries; and

(c) if so, what incentives, sports facilities by opening more sports hostel and cash awards/medals are proposed to be given by Government, so as to attract mass participation by women?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) No, Sir. The erstwhile of Sports Project Development Area (SPDA) and the Sports Hostel Scheme of Sports Authority of India (SAI) were merged by SAI in 1955 and a new scheme *viz.*, SAI Training Centre was launched. Under the Scheme, presently, there are 58 SAI Training Centres all over the country, out of which four are exclusively for girls and in rest of the Centres, training is being imparted to both boys and girls trainees.

(b) No, Sir. National Sports Federations and the Government are giving equal importance to the promotion of sports among women as among men. The efforts include regular conduct of National level championships in both senior and junior categories, training and foreign exposure.

(c) Cash awards/incentives are being provided to women sportspersons for their performance in international sports events at par with men. A Sports Festival for women is organised annually by the Sports Authority of India (SAI) to encourage mass participation of women in sports. The Sports Scholarship Scheme being implemented by SAI also envisages special scholarships for women.

Commonwealth Games

2006. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the plans under consideration for the proposed Commonwealth Games, 2010;

(b) the details of the infrastructure/provisions in view of the support required for holding the Commonwealth Games, 2010; and

(c) the total expected expenditure on various heads for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) and (b) The details of the plan for the Commonwealth Games, 2010 are as under:—