

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF SPORTS IN BIHAR AND JHARKHAND

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

- (a) whether the Bihar and Jharkhand Governments have submitted proposals of the schemes to the Union Government for promoting sports in the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these schemes are likely to be sanctioned;
- (c) whether the Union Government have formulated any scheme for providing training and sports material to rural sports persons and also for constructing stadia there;
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for promoting sports in Bihar?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) & (b): The Governments of Bihar and Jharkhand have not submitted any proposal for financial assistance under any scheme of the Government during the current financial year (2003-04). However, following grants have been approved for the Governments of Jharkhand during the last three financial years:

Year	Amount
2000-2001	Nil
2001-2002	135.45 lakhs
2002-2003	42.85 lakhs

No proposal has been received from the Government of Bihar during the last three financial years.

(c) & (d) Union Government through Sports Authority of India is implementing following schemes for providing training and sports material to both urban and rural sports persons:

- (i) National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC)
- (ii) Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC)
- (iii) Special Area Games (SAG)

Since `Sports` is a State subject, it is primarily the responsibility of the State Government to create sports facilities including stadia and other infrastructure at various places for promoting sports at all levels. However, in order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments in this direction, central assistance is provided to the State Governments on receipt of viable proposals from them.

(e) The Government of India and the Sports Authority of India are implementing various schemes all over the country including the State of Bihar for promoting of sports: