

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

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HOSTING ASIAN AND OLYMPIC GAMES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India proposes to host the Asian and Olympic Games during the next decade;
- (b) if so, the present status of preparedness for hosting these games; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

- (a) The Government has conveyed `in principle` approval to Indian Olympic Association (IOA) for submitting the bid for holding the Asian Games, in 2014. No decision has been taken by Government yet to support the bid for Olympic Games, 2016.
- (b) & (c): The effective preparations for hosting Asian Games will be contingent upon allotment of these Games, which would be decided by Olympic Council of Asia in December, 2006.