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DR. RATNA DE (HOOGHLY): We have successfully organized Commonwealth Games in New Delhi. The icing in the cake is that we performed well in the different sports too. Of course we have developed Stadiums in and around Delhi, but what about replicating the same in different parts of the country. If we want to improve our performances in the national and international sports events we have to extensively improve the sports infrastructure, training facilities, state of the art stadia not only in metros but also in the interiors of the country. Huge funds are required to be allocated and spent for instilling sports culture in the psyche of the people of the country. The performance of the India in Asian games recently concluded in China though a slight improvement is there but it is not worthwhile to cite. In India where there is more than one billion population this situation should not prevail. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports need to ponder over the lacklustre performance of Indian contingent for the past many years in the international events. I would urge the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports to review their sports policy with a view to improve the performance of Indian sports persons in the international events.