**Budget 2015: Sports gets substantial hike?**

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**“The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports today got a hike of around Rs 384 crore in the Budget for 2015-16”**

**In his budget presented in the Lok Sabha, Jaitley allocated Rs 1389.48 crore as Plan Outlay, while Rs 151.65 crore was set aside for Non - Plan for a total figure of Rs 1541.13 crore.**

Last year the total allocation was Rs 1156.61 crore.

The plan outlay has been increased to approximately 381 crore as compared to the previous year, while the Non-Plan outlay has been increased marginally by 3.04 crore.

**Out of the total outlay, Rs 886.57 crore has been allocated for Sports and Games - as against Rs 642.68 crore last year - while Rs 336.62 crore has been set aside for Youth Welfare Scheme as compared to Rs 255.51 crore.**

**The Scheme for the Benefit of** [**North Eastern**](http://www.dnaindia.com/topic/north-eastern) **Area and Sikkim, will get a increased allocation of Rs 151.23 crore this year as compared to just Rs 81.95 crore last year.**

**Under the Sports and Games head, Sports Authority of** [**India**](http://www.dnaindia.com/topic/india) **will get an amount of Rs 369.39 crore - a hike of Rs 17.34 crore. However, Assistance to National Sports Federations has been kept same as last year at Rs 185 crore.**

Rs 5 crore has been earmarked for Talent Search and Training Scheme.

Rs 12 crore has been allocated for Anti-Doping Activities as compared to Rs 11.60 crore last year. Out of this, National Dope Test Laboratory will get Rs 8.9 crore, a little less than last year's Rs 9 crore.

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