Subject: Incentive increments to sportspersons for outstanding sports achievement at National and International levels.

Para 3(iv) of this Department's OM No.16/1/85-Pay-1 dated 16th July, 1985 provides to grant incentive in the form of increments as admissible to such Government servants who achieve excellence in the sporting events of National/International importance. The total number of increments to be awarded for achieving excellence in the national/international events should not exceed five in his/her entire career.

2. Taking into account the changing scenario and rising global competitiveness in the field of sports, the question of honoring such sportspersons of excellence who win a medal (Gold, Silver or Bronze) in National/International Tournaments has been considered and it has been decided to review the existing provision of the OM referred to above in so far as incentives is concerned.

3. Vide this Department's OM of even number dated 26th August 2008 and subsequent reminders dated October, 2008, December, 2008 and September, 2009 views/suggestions from all the Ministries/Departments were invited regarding quantum of lump-sum incentives to be granted to such sportsperson who win a Gold, Silver and Bronze medal in the National/International Tournaments. However very few Ministries/Departments have responded to the said OMs.

4. It is, therefore, requested that views/suggestion may be furnished at the earliest to enable this Department to review the existing provisions.

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