

Report on the visit of Shri Rahul Bhatnagar, Secretary (Sports), Govt. of India to Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar (Punjab), on 10th & 11th May, 2018

I visited Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU), Amritsar on 10th & 11th May, 2018. The officials from State Government, SAI and GNDU were present.

- 2. With the aim of supporting high level research, education and innovation for enhancement in performance of elite athletes, A Sports Science Department has been established at the University with the assistance of Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS), known as MYAS-GNDU Department of Sports Sciences and Medicine. I saw the facilities available at the Centre which has become fully operational now. The courses which would be commenced from July, 2018, are (i) MPT (Sports Physiotherapy); (ii) M.Sc. (Sports Nutrition); (iii) M.Sc. (Sports Biochemistry); (iv) M.Sc. (Sports Physiology); (v) M.A. (Sports Psychology); (vi) Masters in Hospital Administration; and, (vii) Certificate in Sports Anthropometry.
- 3. I also visited the sports infrastructure available at the University which includes, inter alia, an International standard velodrome, Olympic standard swimming Pool, Indoor multipurpose gymnasium hall, Shooting Range and Hockey astro-turf and other grassy grounds.
- 4. Also witnessed their 48th Annual Sports Prize Distribution function 2017-18 on 11th May, 2018 to felicitate the winners of Inter-varsity, National and International sporting events.
- During the visit, the University officials requested for establishing a Fencing Academy for both men & women, considering the achievements of their sportspersons. For this purpose, they are willing to provide hostel accommodation and the requisite infrastructure support. The Sports Sciences Centre, set up with the financial assistance of MYAS, will provide all scientific and logistic support to the Academy. It was decided that the matter will be examined on receipt of a proposal from the University authorities.

(Rahul Bhatnagar)
Secretary (Sports)

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