

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2136
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SPORTS HOSTELS IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to open sports hostels to promote sports in Tamil Nadu during the year 2005-06;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; location-wise;
- (c) the allocation made by the Union Government in this regard; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) & (c): In view of reply given to part (a) above, questions do not arise.

(d) `Sports` is a State subject and promotion of the same at the State level including construction of sports hostels is the primary responsibility of the concerned State Government. However, the Government of India, through various schemes of Sports Authority of India (SAI), augments the efforts of State government in promotion of sports at Junior, Sub-Junior and Senior levels. At present SAI is running two training Centres in Tamil Nadu, one at Chennai and another at Salem, which have hostel facilities.