## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

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SPORTS FACILITIES FOR PROMOTION OF SPORTS
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## Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide sports instructors/trainers and sport training centres and other sports facilities in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of sport trainers available/sport training centres set up so far and the number of sports coaches/sports training centres likely to be provided/set up in future, State/UT and location- wise;
- (c) the major objectives behind the setting up of Sports Authority of India (SAI);
- (d) the details of funds allocated/spent for the said purpose during each of the last three years and the current year; scheme/ sports discipline and State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the number of sports persons imparted training in SAI sports training centres during the said period and the other steps taken to improve the performance of India in International sports events?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) Sports Authority of India (SAI) has been already providing qualified coaches at its centres located across the country under its various Sports Promotional Schemes viz. National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC), Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC), Special Area Games (SAG), SAI Training Centres (STC) and Centre of Excellence (COE).
- (b)SAI has 1137 regular coaches and 32 contract coaches on its roll who are deployed in various parts of the country for SAI Sports Promotional Schemes and National Coaching Camps. The location-wise details are at Annexure-I.

SAI also has its centres in various parts of the country. Location-wise details are at Annexure-II.

Training centres likely to be set up in future depends on requirement and availability of resources.

The number of coaches likely to be provided in future depends upon establishment of new SAI training centres and the disciplines identified in such centres.

- (c) The major objective behind setting up of Sports Authority of India (SAI) was to broad-base sports within the country and to spot and nurture talent to enhance their performance and provide scientific training to achieve excellence in sports.
- (d) Sports Authority of India does not maintain records of sports discipline State/UT-wise expenditure. However, details of funds allocated/spent for various purposes during the last three years and the current year provided at Annexure-III.
- (e) Details of number of sports persons imparted training in SAI Sports Training Centres during the last three years is provided at Annexure IV.

The trainees under the SAI Sports Promotional Schemes are provided Boarding, Lodging, Competition exposure (Domestic & International), Medical Insurance, expert coaching and scientific backup, to enable them to excel at National and International level. The Number of elite sportspersons imparted training in SAI sports training centres in National Coaching Camps is as follows:-

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2011-12 - 3000
2012-13 - 4000
2013-14 - 3293
2014-15 - 3627 (till 30th September, 2014)
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Considering the present standard of Indian sports- persons/teams, maximum thrust is given to those discipline/events where Indian sportspersons stand a chance to win a medal or at least give respectable performance at International level.

Government is providing full assistance to the identified sportspersons/teams for intensive coaching through national coaching camps organized by the Sports Authority of India besides providing Foreign Exposures / Competitions and State-of-art equipments and Infrastructure. Government is also providing financial assistance to top level sportspersons under the National Sports Development Fund for personalized training/coaching and participation in international tournaments, etc.