

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3433  
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YOUTH HOSTELS FOR DISABLED PERSONS  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of Youth Hostels in India;
- (b) whether the Government propose to make Youth Hostels accessible for people with disabilities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

- (a) The number of Youth Hostels in India is 62.
- (b) & (c): Youth Hostels are open to all persons including people with physical disabilities. However, a proposal received recently to make the youth hostels easily accessible for people with disabilities by making suitable changes in the design of the buildings is under active consideration of the Ministry.