

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3338  
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PROMOTION OF HOCKEY  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of Hockey Training Centres being run by the Union Government in Maharashtra and Jharkhand, location-wise;
- (b) whether the Government have formulated any policy to promote hockey;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government propose to appoint a foreign coach to promote hockey; and
- (e) if so , the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a): The details of training centers of Sports Authority of India in the States of Maharashtra and Jharkhand are indicated below:

Maharashtra:

1. SAI Training Centre, Kandivali
2. Bhonsla Military School, Nasik (Adopted under National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Scheme) Jharkhand:

1. Special Area Games Centre, Ranchi
2. St. Ignatius High School, Gumla (Adopted under National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Scheme)
3. Government Girls High School, Ranchi (Adopted under National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Scheme)

(b) & (c): The promotion of a particular game is primarily the responsibility of the concerned National Sports Federation (NSF). As such, the promotion of Hockey is the responsibility of the Indian Hockey Federation (IHF). However, the Government supplements the efforts of NSFs by providing financial assistance for training and participation in tournaments abroad, organizing International Tournaments in India, holding National Championship for Sub-junior, Junior and Senior categories, coaching/training of national teams under National/Foreign coaches and providing requisite scientific and technical back up as per Long Term Development Plan (LTDP) under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs. Accordingly, the Government is providing requisite assistance to Indian Hockey Federation.

(d) & (e): This Ministry has not received any proposal from IHF for appointment of Foreign Coach, so far.