

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:89  
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2002  
SUB-REGIONAL CENTRE OF SAI AT TIRUPATI  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for setting up of sub-regional Centre of Sports Authority of India (SAI) at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the SAI in this regard;
- (c) the amount spent by the SAI for the development of sports in the State during each of the last three years and till date;
- (d) whether the funds allocated to the State for the purpose have been diverted to other States;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether setting up of Rowing Academy at Hyderabad has also been proposed;
- (g) if so, the progress made in this regard so far; and
- (h) the funds allocated/likely to be allocated for setting up of new centres in the State?

**Answer**

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The SAI has requested the State Government of Andhra Pradesh to create necessary infrastructure as per the scheme for opening of a sub-centre for which SAI would provide the equipment, coaches in the disciplines identified for the training, scientific back-up and meet all the running expenses including salary of coaches, scientific staff, administrative staff and also the boarding and lodging expenses of the trainees. The reply from the State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh in this regard is still awaited.

(c) SAI has spent the following amounts for development of sports in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years and till date:-

1998-99	Rs.1,32,73,747/-
1999-2000	Rs.1,56,22,525/-
2000-2001	Rs.1,82,11,230/-
2001-2002 (Jan.)	Rs.1,63,20,009/-

(d) & (e): SAI does not make a state-wise allocation of funds. The funds are allocated on the basis of schemes i.e. National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC), Army Boys Sports Companies (ABSC), SAI Training Centres (STC), Special Area Games (SAG) and Cent of Excellence (COE).

(f) & (g): The State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has proposed the setting up of a Rowing Academy at Hyderabad. Since, at present, there is no scheme under which the SAI could provide financial assistance for setting up of a Rowing Academy, SAI is not in a position to consider this proposal. However, SAI has requested the State Government to allot a building free of cost so that SAI could consider opening a Special Area Games Centre for water sports in Hyderabad. Reply of the State Government is awaited.

(h) Allocation of funds will be made once new centers are approved by the Finance Committee of SAI.