

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

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NATIONAL SPORTS DATA BANK  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the steps taken to promote research and development in the field of sports in the country;
- (b) whether any systems have been evolved to keep track of developments in the said field;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up a National Sports Data Bank; and
- (e) if so, the details in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) : The Government of India had established the Faculty of Sports Sciences in NS NIS Patiala in 1983 with the main objective of conducting and promoting research work in the field of Sports Sciences. The Research work is conducted through departmental project under Research Fellowship Scheme of Sports Authority of India. Sports Authority of India recruits Research Fellows in different fields of Sports Sciences through a Committee of Experts. These Research Fellows submit their project and conduct Research work which is monitored by the Scientists of respective fields. Reports on different research projects are submitted to the expert committee for acceptance and implementation.

In addition, the performance of elite sportspersons under the various schemes of the Government, implemented through SAI, are monitored in consultation with the renowned sportspersons, Scientists, National Coaches of the concerned disciplines and Officials from Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and Sports Authority of India on the basis of quarterly review of the performance for keeping track on the fast development of Sports performance of these elite sportspersons. Under this system, performance report submitted by the concerned coaches are evaluated by the experts.

(d) &(e) : Yes, Sir. SAI is collecting information about various Sport activities, as a part of their data base.