

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

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DOPING TEST CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to open a Doping Test Centre in the country after Indian Weightlifters being held guilty of consuming drugs during Athens Olympics;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this direction in view of forthcoming Common-Wealth games and Beijing Olympics;
- (c) whether the required high technology is available in the country for opening Doping Test Centre;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of places indentified for opening of such centres ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER)

(a)&(b): The Government has already set up a Dope Control Centre (DCC) under Sports Authority of India (SAI).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The DCC has almost all the modern equipment and technology for dope testing as compared to the international standards. Procurement of modern equipment and updating technology is an on-going process. DCC has moved an application to the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for permanent accreditation. DCC has already got ISO: 9001:2000 and ISO:IEC:17025 certification mandatory for permanent accreditation. The quality system of DCC fully incorporates the latest version of International Standard for Testing of Samples. DCC has been participating in proficiency testing in World Association of Anti-Doping Scientists and College of American Pathologists which stipulates that the testing is at par with the other laboratory international standard in the world.

(e) This Laboratory is situated in Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.