

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

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SPORTS SCIENCE CENTRES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up sports science centres in the country to revive training programmes for the sports persons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such centres are likely to be set up in the country, state-wise including West Bengal;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a) Government has no proposal to set up new Sports science centres. Sports Sciences are an integral part of the training of sportspersons. Sports Authority of India (SAI) Centres at the National Institute of Sports (NIS), Patiala, Kolkata and Bangalore already have sports science facilities in Sports Medicine, Sports Psychology, Anthropometry, Bio/Mechanics, Exercise physiology and training methods which are managed by highly qualified and experienced teams of Sports Scientists. Besides, fitness equipment and recovery methods facilities are also available at these centres. The scientific support to National Campers is an essential part of the system of preparation for international competitions.

(b) Sports science facilities are being strengthened at the following centres as part of Commonwealth Games 2010 preparations:-

1. Bangalore (Karnataka)
2. Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh)
3. Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)
4. Gandhinagar (Gujarat)
5. Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala)
6. Kolkata (West Bengal)
7. Aurangabad (Maharashtra)
8. Imphal (Manipur)
9. Sonapat(Haryana)

(c) & (d): Do not arise.