

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

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FACILITIES IN SPORTS TRAINING CENTRES

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

- (a) whether the Government is providing proper facilities in the Sports Training Centres of Sports Authority of India set up across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, sports discipline-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that some sports training centres have been closed down;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor, State-wise and location-wise;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to reopen the closed centres; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

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(a) & (b): The trainees at the various centres under Sports Authority of India (SAI) are provided with playing facilities in respective disciplines. Discipline-wise expert coaches also train the trainees at these centres. The trainees are also provided with boarding/lodging, sports kits and competition exposures. In addition, the trainees are provided stipends, medical facilities and insurance coverage, the details of which are given in Annexure-I

(c) & (d): It has been decided to close down National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Sub-scheme, namely Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNVs), as these are purely academic oriented and with little emphasis on sports excellence. The details of these centres are given in Annexure-II. The resources are being used to strengthen other SAI institutions and schemes.

(e) & (f): In view of the reason given in reply to (c) and (d) above, Government has no intention at present to reopen these centres.