

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

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

- (a) whether air conditioned training hall alongwith other facilities are being provided to the National Sports Academies set up in various parts of the country including Allahabad to boost the promotion of gymnastic games;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such facilities are likely to be provided, State-wise including Allahabad and academy-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor alongwith steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

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

(a)& (b) :For promotion of various sports disciplines including gymnastics, the Ministry supplements the efforts of the National Sports Federations under various schemes of the Ministry and the Sports Authority of India (SAI). Sports Authority of India has sports infrastructure facilities for various sports disciplines at its centres spread across the country. Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium Sports Complex at New Delhi has state-of-the-art facilities including air conditioned halls for the promotion of the game of gymnastics.

As regards the National Sports Academies, the Ministry has not set up any National Sports Academy for any discipline including gymnastics in the country.

(c):It is the responsibility of the authorities/institutes, who run and manage sports academies, to equip them with requisite sports equipment and other facilities. As far as the Sports Authority of India (SAI) is concerned, it is not running any sports academy in the country. However, under the Scheme of 'Extension of SAI Training Centres (STCs)/ Special Area Games (SAGs) for wider coverage', SAI adopts school/college academies and provides facilities like sports kit, competition exposure, stipend, insurance for the trainees. The creation/maintenance of sports infrastructure at such centres is done by the concerned organizations/institutes.