

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:14
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SHORTAGE OF STAFF IN SAI
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Sports Authority of India (SAI) is facing staff crunch;
- (b) if so, the details of actual viz-a-viz sanctioned strength of staff including doctors, nutritionists, dieticians, nurses, supervisors at various hostels, sports centres, etc. across the country;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to fill up the huge backlog of vacant posts;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) As against assessed strength of 1719 in 1996-97 and freezing of strength as 2026 in 2003 by Expenditure Reforms Committee (ERC), there are 1662 employees at present. This includes Nutritionist (JSO)-01, Doctors -05, Nurses -03, Nursing Assistants -03 and Hostel Supervisors -14. Further, as against sanctioned strength of 1524 of coaches, there are 1142 coaches posted on regular basis and 142 on contract basis.

(c)&(d): However, keeping in view the immediate requirement, the vacant posts of Assistant Director, Coaches, Junior Scientific Officer, Junior Scientific Assistants, Accountants and Lower Division Clerks, SAI has already initiated action to fill up these vacancies as per the provisions of the Recruitment Rules.

(e) Does not arise.