

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3035
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CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE SCHEME OF 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 planning to wind up Centre of Excellence (CoE) scheme;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the fate of sportspersons who are undergoing training in various sports disciplines across the country;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide state-of-the-art facilities, quality coaching to the sportspersons under the scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government/SAI to improve the morale and accountability of sportspersons in the country?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam.

(c) & (d): There are 12 Centre of Excellence with state-of-art facilities across the country. The Details are at Annexure.

(e): Sports Authority of India under its Sports Promotional Schemes provides Stipend, Medical Insurance, Educational Allowance, Competition exposure, Nutritious diet, best quality sports equipment, excellent playing facilities, scientific backup etc. to enable sportspersons to excel at National and International level. Government provides them incentive through cash awards.