

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

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CARDIAC CASES AMONG SPORTSMEN
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the increasing number of cardiac cases among sportsmen;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken to detect and treat the same;
- (c) the details of sports complexes where defibrillators have been installed/operating in the country so far, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to install such equipment at other sports complexes and provide medical experts, for the sports fraternity; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): Instances have been reported in the press about cardiac cases among sportspersons. As far as, sportspersons training/coaching at various Sports Authority of India (SAI) centres are concerned, no case of cardiac arrest has been reported.

Sports Authority of India(SAI) has established various sports Science Centres in the country for the purpose of training of sportspersons.

SAI has set up four Sports Science Centres, details of which are as under:-

- i) SAI Netaji Subhas Eastern Centre at Kolkata, West Bengal.
- ii) SAI Netaji Subhas Southern Centre at Bangalore, Karnataka.
- iii) SAI Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports, Patiala, Punjab.
- iv) Lakshmbai National college of Physical Education at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

The facilities available at these centres are being provided to SAI trainees and National Campers.

One defibrillator has recently been procured for sports medicine centre at SAI Netaji Subhash Southern Centre, Bangalore.

The Government has decided to set up a National Institute of Sports Sciences and Sports Medicine (NISSM) at New Delhi as well as to upgrade the existing sports science and sports medicine facilities at SAI Centres across the country, which would, inter-alia, address the issue of prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of sports injuries for the sports fraternity. Besides NISSM will also provide testing services for Sportspersons, research in Sports Science and Medicine, Certification of Food supplements, to conduct various Academic courses and provide certification of (i) Physical trainer, Physiotherapists, Masseurs and (ii) Nutritionists, Psychologists etc.