

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

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TRAINING FROM NIS TRAINED COACHES  
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Sports Authority of India has made any arrangements to provide Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports (NIS)-trained coaches for imparting training in various sports disciplines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the status of said system;
- (c) whether the Government has started any scheme to find the hidden talent in the tribal children aged between 9 to 14 years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Sports Authority of India (SAI) has a provision for posting trained coaches of National Institute of Sports (NIS) at its training Centres across the country and also at state and district coaching centres run by the State Governments on demand. As SAI has been facing acute shortage of coaches in different sports disciplines for its own training Centres/programmes, a decision has been taken to post coaches for SAI's own schemes only for the present.

(c) Yes, Madam.

(d) SAI is implementing various Sports Promotion Schemes namely such as National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC), Army Boys Sports Companies (ABSC), SAI Training Centres (STC), Special Area Games (SAG), Centres of Excellence (COE) and Come & Play to nurture sports talents to achieve excellence at National and International level. The SAG scheme has been designed specially for spotting and nurturing sport talent in the age group of 12-18 years from tribal, rural, coastal and far-flung areas. Sports-persons from these areas have shown their sports potential at district, state and national level are admitted with the besides other SAI's training scheme and nurtured with the NIS qualified coaches/sports scientists of SAI.