

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

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YOUTH HOSTELS

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

- (a) the number of youth hostels operating in the country including Haryana and Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposals from the various State Governments including Haryana and Madhya Pradesh for setting up of new youth hostels in the States; and
- (c) if so, the details and time by which the said proposals are likely to be sanctioned ?

Answer

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

(a) 81 Youth Hostels have so far been constructed in the country and 3 Youth Hostels are under various stages of construction. Out of 81 Youth Hostels, 69 are functioning under the Department of Youth Affairs and 12 Youth Hostels have been transferred to Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), Sports Authority of India (SAI) and respective State Governments for optimum uses for Youth and Sports development. A statement showing list of Youth Hostels, State-wise/Location-wise is annexed.

(b) & (c) Proposals to set up youth hostels were received from the State Governments from time to time. However, Planning Commission has advised not to construct any new Youth Hostel but to complete only the ongoing construction of Youth Hostels.