

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

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BUDGET FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large portion of the sports budget is being spent on payment of the salary of the officers and the maintenance of stadia;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this situation has adverse impact on harnessing the talent of sportspersons in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam. The expenditure incurred on payment of salaries and maintenance of stadia by the Sports Authority of India (SAI) for the last two years is as under:-

Non-Plan		(Rupees in crore)	
Year	Budget	Expenditure on	
		salaries of officers and staff	
2011-12	40.17	31.03	
2012-13	47.32	35.04	
Year	Budget	Expenditure on	Expenditure on
		staff related to coaching.	maintenance of stadia
2011-12	250.90	120.33#	47.02##
2012-13	275.00	166.39#	60.28##

The expenditure on salaries of staff including coaches attached directly to coaching is actually coaching expenditure which is being incurred towards imparting coaching for development of sportspersons. So, it should be treated as sports development expenditure/training expenses.

Expenditure on maintenance of stadia is essential in order to maintain the sports facilities at desired level.

(c) to (e): Do not arise in view of the reply to parts (a) & (b).