

**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 set up and functioning so far in the country, State-wise and location-wise; and
- (b) the number of hostels proposed to be set up, State-wise and location-wise?

Answer

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

(a) 81 Youth Hostels have been constructed in the country and 3 Hostels are under 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) As per advice of the Planning Commission, a policy decision has been taken to complete only the ongoing projects of Youth Hostels and not to take up construction of new hostels.