

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

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SHORTAGE OF SPORTS COACHES

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

- (a) whether there is any shortage of sports coaches in different sports bodies and stadium set up in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of vacant posts of coaches till date and the time by which these posts are likely to be filled up, sports discipline and sports centre-wise;
- (c) the number of sports training centres in the country for imparting training to the coaches in different sporting events; State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to train retired players as coaches/referees or appoint foreign coaches to promote sports in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, sports discipline wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a)&(b): Yes Madam. Department of Sports imparts training to sports persons via Sports Authority of India (SAI). Position of coaches as pertaining to SAI is as under:-

Sanctioned Strength	-1524
Coaches in position as on date	-1115
Vacant posts	-409
Vacancy at entry grade	-163

During 2013-14, SAI has recruited 170 Assistant Coaches (Entry Grade) on regular basis. The number of coaches is not fixed discipline-wise. Since inclusion / discontinuation of sports disciplines at various SAI Training Centres across the country is a continuous process which is reviewed periodically in view of the Annual Inclusion / Weeding out of inmates / trainees based on identified parameters, therefore the discipline-wise and centre-wise requirement of coaches varies from time to time.

(c) Training centers under Department of Sports / its autonomous bodies for imparting training to Coaches are Patiala, Bengaluru, Kolkata, Thiruvananthapuram and Gwalior.

(d)&(e) Some of the eminent sportspersons have been appointed as coaches for the training of elite athletes on specific recommendation of concerned National Sports Federation (NSF).

As intimated by SAI, the list of prominent sportspersons engaged as coach are as under:-

1. Shri Bahadur Singh-National Coach, Athletes.
2. Shri P. Gopichand, National Coach, Badminton.
3. Shri Mohinder Lal, Chief Coach, Shooting (Senior Pistol shooters).
4. Shri Jaspal Rana, Chief Coach, Shooting (Junior Rifle shooters).
5. Ms. Deepali, Chief Coach, Shooting (Junior Rifle shooters). 6. Ms. N. Kunjarani Devi-Coach Weightlifting.

Foreign Coaches/Experts are also appointed as per the requirement and specific request/ recommendation of the concerned NSF. As intimated by SAI, the list of Foreign Coaches engaged by them for training of athletes is as under:

Sr.No.	Discipline	Name of the foreign Coach
1.	Athletics (Walking)	Mr. Artsybashev Alexander

2. Athletics (Long & Middle Distance) Mr. Nikolai Snesarev
3. Athletics (Sprints) Mr. Dmytro Vanyaikin
4. Archery (Recurve Event) Mr. Chae Woong Lim
5. Boxing (Senior Category) Mr. Blas Iglesias Fernandez
6. Boxing (Junior Category) Mr. Ramon Romero Drake
7. Badminton (Doubles) Mr. Hendra Mulyono
8. Hockey (Women) Mr. Neil Andrew Hawgood
9. Kayaking & Canoeing (Slalom) Mr. Kosack Henry
10. Shooting (Rifle events) Mr. Stanislav Lapidus
11. Shooting (Trap & Double Trap events) Mr. Marcello Dradi
12. Shooting (Trap and Double Trap events) Ms. Del Din Daniela
13. Shooting (Skeet event) Mr. Ennio Falco
14. Shooting (Pistol events) Mr. Smirnov Pavel
15. Squash Mr. Singaraveloo Subramaniam
16. Wrestling (Free Style) Mr. Vladimer Mestvirishvili
17. Wrestling (Greco Roman) Mr. Emzar Makharadze
18. Wrestling (Female Wrestlers) Mr. Roin Debordnidze
19. Yachting Mr. Peter David Conway