

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

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SPORT TRAINING CENTRES

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

(a) the proposals received from the States including Karnataka to set up sports training centres for different sports disciplines and the present status of these proposals, State/UT and sports discipline-wise;

(b) the time by which said proposals are likely to be approved/cleared;

(c) the details of facilities provided in various sports centres of Sports Authority of India set up in the country including Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh along with the funds provided for the said facilities during each of the last three years and the current year, centre and State/UTwise; and

(d) the steps taken to include more games for which sports training is not provided in the said centres like ong jump, archery and rowing etc.?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Sports Authority of India (SAI) have informed that they have received following proposals for establishment of SAI Training Centres in the state of Karnataka: -

1. St. Philomena's College, Bannimantap, Mysore in the year 2012.
2. JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysore for STC Dharwad in the year 2013.
3. Taking over Rani Channamma Stadium, Jayanagar, Bangalore in the year 2014.

Besides, the above, SAI has also received a proposal for setting up of Special Area Games at Shimoga, Karnataka.

As regard the status of the proposals, it is mentioned that each proposal is considered along with other proposals received by SAI based on merit and resources available. The demand for setting up of SAI Centres far exceeds the availability of financial resources, trained manpower including coaches and as such no specific timeline can be given for consideration / approval of the said proposals.

(c) Under SAI Sports Promotional Scheme the trainees are provided boarding, lodging, competition exposure, sports kit, medical, insurance etc. The details of facilities provided (financial entitlements) under each scheme is provided at Annexure – I.

SAI does not maintain such records sports Centres wise and State/UT-wise. However, scheme-wise funds allocated/ spent for providing sports facilities in various sports centres of Sports Authority of India during the last three years and the current year under Plan and Plan North East Region (NER) are provided at Annexure- II & III respectively.

(d) Due to limited availability of requisite infrastructure, adequate financial resources and trained manpower in both administrative and coaching cadre, it is difficult to introduce all disciplines or several disciplines in each SAI Centre. Therefore, judicious decision is taken to introduce 4 to 5 disciplines at the most in each centre, mainly depending upon the popularity of a specific discipline in the region, availability of talented sports- persons and trained coaches in that particular discipline.