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Title: Need to establish a sub-centre of Sports Authority of India in Araku parliamentary constituency of Andhra Pradesh.

SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA (ARAKU): I wish to draw the attention of the Government towards the issue of providing sports infrastructure in my constituency Araku. My constituency spreads in 4 districts of Andhra Pradesh and consists of 90% tribal population. It is the largest and only tribal constituency in Andhra Pradesh.

The tribal youth are well built and have natural talent. There are so many tribal youth who have excelled in archery as well as athletics, football and other sports like weight-lifting, wrestling, etc.

The infrastructure for sports is very poor and we have no sports training centre in the entire constituency that caters to the needs of the tribal youth. Further, I also wish to bring to the notice of the Government that Araku being an extremist affected area, youth are more attracted towards extremism due to lack of proper opportunities. Hence, I request the Hon'ble Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports to kindly explore the chance of establishing a sub-centre of Sports Authority of India (SAI) to cater to the needs of the tribal youth so as to train them to be an asset for the nation.