

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS  
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2936  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2019**

**Sports Promotional Schemes**

**2936. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
DR. HEENA GAVIT:  
SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:  
SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:  
SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:**

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

- (a) the number of sports promotional schemes that are being implemented by Sports Authority of India to scout and nurture sports talent in the age group ranging from 8-25 years along with details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes;**
- (b) the number of regional centres established for the sports promotional schemes during each of the last three years and the current year;**
- (c) whether the Government is giving special attention to select majority of youths from rural, tribal and backward areas for the sports promotional schemes;**
- (d) if so, the number of youths selected from these categories during the last three years and the current year;**
- (e) whether the Government has taken steps for creating proper awareness among rural/ tribal youths about these sports promotional schemes and if so, the details thereof and the problem faced by the Government in implementing these schemes; and**
- (f) whether most of the schemes have not been able to achieve the objectives for which they have been launched and if so, the corrective steps taken in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS  
AND SPORTS  
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)**

**(a) Sports Promotional Scheme of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports that are being implemented through Sports Authority of India (SAI) to scout and nurture talent in the age group of 8-25 years are Khelo India Scheme, Scheme for Assistance to National Sports Federations, National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) and releasing block grants to Sports Authority of India (SAI) for running its various training facilities across India. The details of trainees being trained in various sports promotional schemes are at Annexure-I.**

**(b) No new Regional Centre of SAI has been established during the last 3 years and in the current year, as existing sports infrastructure can provide training for large number of athletes for attaining excellence in sports.**

**(c) & (d) Sporting talent is identified through sports competitions at different levels without discrimination on the basis of talent coming from rural, tribal and backward areas. Under the Khelo India Scheme 2741 talented children have been identified in 24 sports disciplines. Of these 608 athletes are being trained at SAI academies and the rest are being in SAI accredited academies. The scheme wise number of youths selected under various SAI promotional schemes during the last three years and the current year is at Annexure-II.**

**(e) Khelo India Games, National and State level competitions in different sports disciplines and success of Indian athletes in international arena have help create awareness and increase participation of youth including from rural, tribal and backward areas, in sports and the existing schemes relating to sports promotion are applicable for all athletes across India, including rural and tribal youth.**

**(f) No Sir, the twin objectives of the National Sports Policy of mass participation in Sports and promotion of excellence in sports across the country are being served through the promotional schemes run by the Department of Sports.**

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**ANNEXURE-I**

**Annexure Referred to in Reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha USQ No. 2936 For 05/12/2019 regarding Sports Promotional Schemes asked by Shri Shrirang Appa Barne, Dr. Heena Gavit, Shri Vinayak Raut, Shri Ratansinh Magansinh Rathod, Shri A.K.P. Chinraj, Hon'ble MPs.**

**Details of trainees being trained under various Sports Promotional schemes.**

<b>S N</b>	<b>Name of the Schemes</b>	<b>No. of Centres</b>	<b>No. of Trainees (Resi.)</b>	<b>No. of Trainees (Non-Resi.)</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	SAI National Centres of Excellence (NCOE)	21	1993	316	2309
2	SAI Training Centres (STC)	69	4002	1236	5238
3	Army Boys Sports Companies (ABSC)	28	1293	0	1293
4	Ext. Centre of STCs	90	0	1829	1829
5	National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC)				
i)	Regular Schools	10	0	305	305
ii)	Indigenous Games and Martial Arts (IGMA)	10	0	128	128
iii )	Akharas	48	0	766	766
6	SAI academies accredited under Khelo India Scheme	32	534	74	608
<b>Total</b>		<b>308</b>	<b>7822</b>	<b>4654</b>	<b>12476</b>

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**ANNEXURE-II**

**Annexure Referred to in Reply to Part (c) & (d) of Lok Sabha USQ No. 2936 For 05/12/2019 regarding Sports Promotional Schemes asked by Shri Shrirang Appa Barne, Dr. Heena Gavit, Shri Vinayak Raut, Shri Ratansinh Magansinh Rathod, Shri A.K.P. Chinraj, Hon'ble MPs.**

**Details of SAI Sports Promotional Schemes During the Last Three Years and Current Year 2016 to 2019**

<b>2016-2017</b>						
<b>SN</b>	<b>Schemes</b>	<b>Centres</b>		<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	National Sports Talent Contest	64		1123	252	<b>1375</b>
2	Army Boys Sports Company	24		1352	0	<b>1352</b>
3	SAI Training Centre	59		4535	1963	<b>6498</b>
4	Special Area Games	19		1120	880	<b>2000</b>
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	95		996	647	<b>1643</b>
6	Centre of Excellence	15		266	211	<b>477</b>
7	SAI National Sports Academy (NSA)	13		261	78	<b>339</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>289</b>		<b>9653</b>	<b>4031</b>	<b>13684</b>
<b>2017-2018</b>						
1	National Sports Talent Contest	65		1125	242	<b>1367</b>
2	Army Boys Sports Company	27		1591	0	<b>1591</b>
3	SAI Training Centre	59		4804	2063	<b>6867</b>
4	Special Area Games	20		1189	978	<b>2167</b>
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	86		1133	804	<b>1937</b>
6	Centre of Excellence	15		270	209	<b>479</b>
7	SAI National Sports Academy (NSA)	15		369	130	<b>499</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>287</b>		<b>10481</b>	<b>4426</b>	<b>14907</b>
<b>2018-2019</b>						
1	National Sports Talent Contest	61		1112	230	<b>1342</b>
2	Army Boys Sports Company	26		1488	0	<b>1488</b>
3	SAI Training Centre	59		4589	1986	<b>6575</b>
4	Special Area Games	21		1256	925	<b>2181</b>
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	90		1308	866	<b>2174</b>
6	Centre of Excellence	16		214	262	<b>476</b>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>273</b>		<b>9967</b>	<b>4269</b>	<b>14236</b>
<b>2019-2020</b>						
1	SAI National Centres of Excellence (NCOE)	21		1445	864	<b>2309</b>
2	SAI Training Centres	69		3425	1813	<b>5238</b>
3	Army Boys Sports Companies	28		1293	0	<b>1293</b>
4	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	90		1049	780	<b>1829</b>
5	NSTC	68		1008	191	<b>1199</b>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>276</b>		<b>8220</b>	<b>3648</b>	<b>11868</b>

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