# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS) **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-956** ANSWERED ON-09/02/2023

## **COACHES FOR VARIOUS SPORTS CATEGORIES**

### 956. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA:

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

(a) whether Sports Authority of India (SAI) has decided to increase the number of coaches in various sports categories in its centres across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has also taken this decision with the objective of preparing athletes for upcoming Olympic events in 2024, the details thereof;

(c) the details and the number of coaches currently available and planned to be recruited in the respective categories in the States of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh before 2024; and

(d) the follow up action by Government in this regard?

#### ANSWER

#### THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

#### (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (b): The recruitment of coaches under various Sports Promotional schemes implemented by the Sports Authority of India (SAI) in different sports disciplines is a dynamic process and is done depending upon the strength of coaches and discipline-wise availability at Centres across the country. Further, the engagement of coaches for preparing athletes for International competitions, including Olympic events, is done as per the requirement.

(c) to (d): SAI does not recruit coaches State-wise. The coaches are posted in States as per the requirement. Presently, 910 coaches are working in different SAI Centres across the country, out of which 33, 67 and 85 coaches are working in the States of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh respectively.

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