# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA <br> MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS \& SPORTS <br> (DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS) <br> LOK SABHA <br> UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1392 <br> TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2017 

Promotion of Sports among Tribal Youths
1392. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:
(a) whether the Government has any data regarding the number of youth from the tribal areas who participated in the National level sports events in the country during the last three years and the current year;
(b) if so, the details thereof, discipline and States/UT-wise;
(c) the details of special schemes implemented to identify and nurture the young talent from rural areas particularly from the tribal areas; and
(d) the expenditure incurred on the training/stipend given to such youths during the said period along with the number of such persons benefited?

## ANSWER <br> THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS \& SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) Data relating to this is not maintained in the department.
(b) Does not arise.
(c) The Special Area Games (SAG) Scheme of SAI is implemented to select sports talent (10-18 years of age) mainly from the tribal, rural, coastal and remote backward and hilly areas. Currently, there are 19 SAG Centres with 2000 trainees (1120 boys and 880 girls) being trained and provided with expert sports coaches, required playing facilities, consumable and non consumable sports equipment including expenses
towards boarding and lodging, sports kit, competition exposure, educational expenses, medical and insurance and stipend for day boarders as per the approved scheme norms.
(d) The expenditure incurred on number of SAI Scheme trainees during last three years \& current year is as under:-

| Year | Expenditure <br> Incurred <br> (Rs.in Crores) | Number of <br> Trainees <br> benefitted |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $2013-2014$ | 50.42 | 10817 |
| $2014-2015$ | 57.64 | 11032 |
| $2015-2016$ | 66.44 | 11062 |
| $2016-2017$ | *61.46 | 13684 |
|  | *Up to <br> Dec.'2016 |  |

