

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3624
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017**

Selection of Sportspersons for Training

3624. DR. BHOLA SINGH:

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

(a) the number of sportspersons identified for sports training from the rural areas in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the budgetary allocation made and utilised for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise;

(c) the performance of these sportspersons at the national and international events during the said period; and

(d) the criteria adopted for selection of such sportspersons in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)**

(a) To promote sports in the country, Sports Authority of India (SAI) is implementing the following sports promotional schemes across the country to identify talented sports persons in the age group of 8-25 years and nurture them to excel at national and international competitions:

- National Sports Talent Contest Scheme (NSTC)**
- Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC)**
- SAI Training Centre (STC)**
- Special Area Games (SAG)**
- Extension Centre of STC/SAG**
- Centre of Excellence (COE)**
- National Sports Academies (NSA)**

Accordingly, SAI has established 10 Regional Centres and 02 educational institutions to implement the above sports promotional schemes in the country.

Currently, there are 19 SAG Centres with 2000 trainees (1120 boys and 880 girls). Under SAI Schemes 13,684 talented sports person 9653 boys and 4031 girls are provided with regular sports training in 27 sports disciplines on residential and non-residential basis in 290 SAI sports centres.

The number of SAI trainees under various schemes State/UT wise is attached as Annexure-I. No rural-urban record of trainees is maintained.

(b) The fund allocation utilized under the Sports Promotional Schemes during the last three years and the current year is as under:

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Year	Allocated (Rs. in Crores)	Expenditure (Rs. in Crores)
2013-14	Rs.53.20	Rs.50.42
2014-15	Rs.57.20	Rs.57.64
2015-16	Rs.74.75	Rs.66.44
2016-17	Rs.75.00 Upto Dec, 2016	Rs.61.46

(c) The Achievements of SAI Scheme's trainees for the last three years are provided at Annexure-II.

(d) The selection of the trainees under various SAI Schemes is based on merit, battery of test result and specific test result. Due weightage is given to participation/ medal winners in District/ State/ National level tournaments/ competitions etc.

There is also a scheme namely Special Area Games (SAG) Scheme which aims at scouting natural talent for modern competitive sports and games from inaccessible tribal, rural and coastal areas of the country and nurturing them scientifically for achieving excellence in sports. The Scheme also envisages tapping of talent from indigenous games and martial arts and also from regions/ communities, which are either genetically or geographically advantageous for excellence in a particular sports discipline. Therefore, geographical criteria like High Altitude, Coastal Areas, Islands, Back- waters are considered for selection of trainees.

ANNEXURE-I**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3624 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017 REGARDING SELECTION OF SPORTSPERSONS FOR TRAINING****DETAILS OF SAI SPORTS PROMOTIONAL SCHEMES DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS**

2012-13					
		Centres	Boys	Girls	Total
1	National Sports Talent Contest	51	858	160	1018
2	Army Boys Sports Company	18	1005	0	1005
3	SAI Training Centre	55	4044	1768	5812
4	Special Area Games	20	1089	796	1885
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	69	781	456	1237
6	Centre of Excellence	15	142	180	322
	Total:	228	7919	3360	11279
2013-14					
		Centres	Boys	Girls	Total
1	National Sports Talent Contest	54	813	203	1016
2	Army Boys Sports Company	15	965	0	965
3	SAI Training Centre	56	3830	1576	5406
4	Special Area Games	19	1012	734	1746
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	69	748	436	1184
6	Centre of Excellence	15	261	239	500
	Total:	228	7629	3188	10817
2014-15					
		Centres	Boys	Girls	Total
1	National Sports Talent Contest	56	693	298	991
2	Army Boys Sports Company	18	1097	0	1097
3	SAI Training Centre	56	3730	1691	5421
4	Special Area Games	19	944	723	1667
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	81	804	461	1265
6	Centre of Excellence	15	282	241	523
7	SAI National Sports Academies (NSA)	05	44	24	68
	Total:	250	7594	3438	11032

2015-16					
		Centres	Boys	Girls	Total
1	National Sports Talent Contest	64	846	252	1098
2	Army Boys Sports Company	18	1201	0	1201
3	SAI Training Centre	58	3894	1731	5625
4	Special Area Games	19	1055	807	1862
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	73	953	512	1465
6	Centre of Excellence	15	235	191	426
7	SAI National Sports Academies (NSA)	05	59	37	96
	Total:	252	8243	3530	11773
2016-17					
		Centres	Boys	Girls	Total
1	National Sports Talent Contest	64	1123	252	1375
2	Army Boys Sports Company	24	1352	0	1352
3	SAI Training Centre	59	4535	1963	6498
4	Special Area Games	19	1120	880	2000
5	Ext. Centre of STC/SAG	95	996	647	1643
6	Centre of Excellence	15	266	211	477
7	SAI National Sports Academies (NSA)	13	261	78	339
	Total:	289	9653	4031	13684

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3624 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017 REGARDING SELECTION OF SPORTSPERSONS FOR TRAINING

ACHIEVEMENTS OF SAI SCHEME'S TRAINEES FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS (2013-14, 2014-15 & 2015-16)

NATIONAL LEVEL

S N	Scheme name	2013-2014			2014-2015			2015-16		
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B
1	NSTC Schools	10	3	10	21	10	10	0	0	0
2	ABSC	0	1	1	65	51	54	84	39	45
3	STC	15 0	13 1	20 5	23 5	16 0	20 1	19 5	134	15 8
4	SAG	13 2	11 2	62	10 9	82	10 0	99	84	93
5	Ext. Centre	0	0	0	8	6	20	4	10	6
6	COE	72	51	14	17 7	15 7	11 4	58	43	31
7.	National Sports Academies	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	1
	TOTAL:	46 9	28 2	27 9	61 5	46 6	49 9	44 4	313	33 4

INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

S N	Scheme name	2013-2014			2014-2015			2015-16		
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B
1	NSTC Schools	2	0	4	1	2	3	1	0	0
2	ABSC	0	2	8	11	8	9	6	8	9
3	STC	20	12	26	17	10	27	30	24	22
4	SAG	14	10	12	5	6	11	6	8	7
5	Ext. Centre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
6	COE	20	10	12	14	13	27	30	30	25
7.	National Sports Academies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL:	56	34	62	48	39	77	73	70	64

