

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.623  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2018**

**Participation of Youth in Sports**

**623. SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA:**

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

- (a) whether the data regarding the number of youth of tribal areas who participated in various sports competitions in the country during the last three years is available with the Government;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Sports and State/UT-wise;**
- (c) the details of special schemes implemented for identifying and nurturing talented youth/sportspersons from the rural areas of the country particularly from the tribal areas of Rajasthan; and**
- (d) the details of funds utilised on training provided to such youth during the said period along with the number of youth benefited as a result thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH  
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS  
{COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (RETD.)}**

**(a)& (b): No such data is maintained in this Ministry.**

**(c) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) through Sports Authority of India has been implementing the following Sports Promotional Schemes in the age groups of 8-25 years in 27 sports disciplines to identify and nurture sports talent across the country.**

- 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)**

**For implementation of the above schemes, SAI has established 2 Academic and 10 Regional Centres across the country. Majority of sportspersons identified and nurtured under SAI Schemes belong to rural, tribal, coastal, hilly and backward areas of the country. At present, under SAI Schemes total 14143 talented sportspersons (9843 boys and 4300 girls) are provided with regular sports training on residential and non-residential basis.**

**SAI has established 23 sports centres under NSTC, STC & Extension Centres of STC/SAG in the State of Rajasthan, where 737 talented sportspersons, majority of them from rural and tribal area are being trained in the State.**

**This Ministry is also implementing a Central Sector Scheme, namely Khelo India which has twelve verticals to cater the entire population also covering talented youth / sportsperson from rural / tribal areas of the country including Rajasthan. The scheme has a dedicated vertical 'Talent Identification and Development' provides for financial assistance to identified talented players at various levels through different avenues and annual financial assistance, at the rate of Rs.5.00 lakh per annum, for a period of 8 years under a Long Term Athlete Development Programme is provided.**

**(d) For implementation of SAI Sports Promotional Schemes across the country, the scheme-wise details of funds utilized are at Annexure, where total 42734 sportspersons were benefited during the last three years.**

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**Annexure**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 623 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2018 REGARDING PARTICIPATION OF YOUTH IN SPORTS ASKED BY SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA, MP:**

**DETAILS OF FUNDS UTILIZED ON TRAINEES DURING LAST THREE YEARS UNDER THE SAI SCHEMES**

		(Rs.in Crores)		
SN	Schemes	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1	National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC)	0.75	1.15	1.55
2	Army Boys Sports Companies (ABSC)	6.00	10.80	12.30
3	SAI Training Centre (STC)	36.00	43.70	43.50
4	Special Area Games (SAG)	12.75	12.20	14.50
5	Centre of Excellence (COE)	4.50	3.95	4.15
6	SAI National /Regional Sports Academy (N/RSA)	15.00	5.20	5.20
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>75.00</b>	<b>77.00</b>	<b>81.20</b>

**DETAILS OF SAI SPORTS PROMOTIONAL SCHEMES DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS.**

		Number of Trainees		
SN	Schemes	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1	National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC)	1375	1367	1218
2	Army Boys Sports Companies (ABSC)	1352	1591	1556
3	SAI Training Centre (STC)	6498	6867	6540
4	Special Area Games (SAG)	2000	2167	2198
	Extension Centres of STC/SAG	1643	1937	2194
5	Centre of Excellence (COE)	477	479	437
6	SAI National /Regional Sports Academy (N/RSA)	339	499	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>13684</b>	<b>14907</b>	<b>14143</b>