

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2754  
ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023**

**National Centre of Excellence**

**2754. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:**

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

**(a) the total number of sportspersons trained at the National Centre of Excellences (NCEs) under schemes such as Khelo India across the country during the last four years and the current year, State-wise especially from Andhra Pradesh;**

**(b) whether the Government has set any target number of NCEs to be set up in the country, if so, the details thereof and potential locations that the Government is considering to set up such institutions;**

**(c) whether the Government is considering/ has carried out the upgradation of infrastructure, coaching and facilities at existing NCEs;**

**(d) if so, the list of NCEs under upgradation and timeline for completion;**

**(e) whether the Ministry has conducted any survey/research for setting up an NCE in Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**

**(f) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted any proposal/suggestion for the setting up of an NCE in Andhra Pradesh; and**

**(g) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
{ SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR }**

**(a) The number of sportspersons being trained at National Centre of Excellences (NCEs) established in Sports Authority of India (SAI) under various sports promotional scheme of Department of sports including, the**

**Khelo India Scheme, during the last four years and the current year, from across the country, are as under:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>No. of Athletes</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2477</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2788</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2641</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>3240</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>3159</b>

**In the above-mentioned period, no athlete was undergoing training in NCEs from the State of Andhra Pradesh.**

**(b) No, Sir.**

**(c) and (d) No, Sir. The NCEs established under SAI have already been upgraded in terms of required infrastructure, coaching and other facilities to train the athletes.**

**(e) No, Sir.**

**(f) and (g) No, Sir. No proposal for setting up of a NCE from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received.**

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