

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1511
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.12.2021**

Guidelines for Selection of Coaches

1511. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:

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

- (a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines recently for selection of coaches;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps taken/being taken to inject more professionalism in this regard?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)**

(a) to (c): Sports is a 'State' Subject and development of Sports, including appointment and selection of coaches, rests with the respective State Government and National Sports Federations (NSFs). Guidelines related to selection of coaches for various sports disciplines are accordingly issued by the State and UT Governments and NSFs. Various Ministries and Departments of the Central Government also bring out guidelines for appointment and selection of Coaches in their respective cadres.

Insofar as the Sports Authority of India (SAI), an autonomous body under the aegis of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, is concerned,

coaches are employed as per the approved Recruitment Rules, in the training facilities run across the country. In order to inject more professionalism in selection of coaches in SAI, the following aspects are incorporated:

- i. Reservation for Olympians and Para Olympians has been provided in the coaching cadre.**
- ii. Career progression of coaches has been taken care of in the recent cadre restructuring of SAI.**
- iii. A Coach Development and Training Division has been established by SAI to upgrade skills of coaches.**
