

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2149  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2022**

**Promotion of Indian Coaches**

**2149. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:**

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

**(a) whether the Government has taken steps to train and promote Indian coaches of various sports in the country to be at par with foreign coaches in every respect; and**

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

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b) Sports being a State Subject, the primary responsibility of development/promotion of sports including training and promotion of Indian coaches, rests with the respective States/Union Territories Governments. However, the Department of Sports supplements their efforts through various sports promotional schemes viz. Sports Authority of India (SAI), Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs), etc.**

**The SAI, an autonomous body under the Department of Sports, promotes Indian coaches of various sports to be at par with foreign coaches and provides them opportunity to attend different**

**programme/workshops/courses at renowned universities including University of Birmingham (United Kingdom), University of Tsukuba (Japan), Hawana University (Cuba), Hungarian University of Physical Education (Budapest) and Public University Leipzig (Germany).**

**Further, the Department of Sports has revised the norms of its scheme namely “Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs)” for extending financial assistance to NSFs, and has, *inter alia*, directed all NSFs to follow the principle of ‘Atmanirbharta’ in the field of coaching and encourage and train the talents available in the India to attain world class level. In order to reduce the dependency on foreign coaches over a time, and to groom Indian coaches, it has been decided that whenever a foreign coach is hired, at least 5 Indian coaches are to be attached with that foreign coach during his coaching assignment in India.**

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