

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5343  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2022**

**Coaches for Various Sports Category**

**5343. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:**

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

- (a) whether the Sports Authority of India has decided to increase the number of coaches in various sports category in its centres across the country and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has also taken this decision with the objective of preparing athletes for upcoming Olympic events in 2024;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the details and the number of coaches currently available in the respective categories in Tamil Nadu and the number of coaches planned to be recruited in Tamil Nadu before 2024; and**
- (e) the follow up action taken by the Government in this regard?**

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

**(a) The deployment of coaches under various Sports Promotional schemes implemented by Sports Authority of India (SAI), in different sports disciplines varies depending upon the strength of athletes and discipline-wise availability at the respective centres.**

**Presently, 615 coaches are working in SAI on regular basis, and based on the requirement of coaches in various sports disciplines, 416 coaches have been appointed on contract/deputation basis.**

**(b) to (e) Yes, Sir. The recruitment/ appointment of 416 coaches on contract/ deputation is a result of the efforts to provide 360 degree support to athletes as they prepare for important National and International competitions, including the Olympics 2024 and 2028.**

**The recruitment of coaches is carried out based on the requirement under various sports disciplines in training centres of the SAI, which is not based on the state-wise requirement.**

**At present there are 18 coaches deployed in the 3 SAI training centres in the State of Tamil Nadu.**

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