

**Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2636
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025**

National Level Youth Sports Centres

**2636. Shri Kalipada Saren Kherwal:
Shri Sanjay Haribhau Jadhav:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up national level youth sports centres across the country, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the number of districts in West Bengal and Maharashtra where national level Youth Sports Centres have been set up particularly in Parbhani Parliamentary Constituency;**
- (c) the number of districts in West Bengal and Maharashtra where national level Youth Sports Centres are proposed to be set up;**
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to set up such Sports Centres in Jhargram and Purulia district of West Bengal and Parbhani and other districts of Maharashtra;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (f) the time by which the steps are likely to be taken for setting up such centres**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
[DR MANSUKH MANDAVIYA]**

(a) to (f): 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments, and the Central Government only supplements their efforts. No specific national level youth sports centres have been set up. However, the Government, through the Sports Authority of India (SAI), has established 187 SAI Centres across the country including

24 National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs), 69 SAI Training Centres (STCs), 26 Extension Centres of STCs, 68 National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) scheme etc. which are functional for implementing Sports Promotional Schemes of SAI. Further, under the Khelo India Scheme, 1046 Khelo India Centres, 33 Khelo India State Centre of Excellence and 302 Khelo India Accredited Academies have been established so far. District-wise data is not maintained.
