

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3835
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2025**

Setting up National Centre of Excellence in Uttar Pradesh

†3835. Shri Sanatan Pandey:

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

- (a) whether there is any National Centre of Excellence (NCOE) in Uttar Pradesh out of twenty-four NCOEs established by the Sports Authority of India (SAI) across the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether the Government has laid down any criteria for setting up of NCOE;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the State of Uttar Pradesh fulfills the said criteria; and**
- (f) if so, whether the SAI proposes to set up NCOE in Uttar Pradesh in future?**

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

(a) to (f): Yes, Sir. Out of twenty-four (24) National Centre of Excellence (NCOEs) established across the country by Sports Authority of India (SAI), one (01) NCOE has been established in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. Currently, there is no predefined criteria for the establishment of NCOEs.
