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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3872 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.12.2015

**Sports Training Centres of SAI** 

### 3872. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:

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

- (a) the status of work on the Sports Training Centres (STC) of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) at Meham, Rohtak and Sirsa, for which the foundation stones were laid in October, 2012;
- (b) the investment to be made by the Government in completing the work and making the Centres fully operational and the time by which the Centres will be ready to impart training to sportspersons;
- (c) whether the work on both the Centres is going on as per the schedule or whether there is some delay; and
- (d) the kind of games both the Centres will be specialised in along with the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (c): A proposal to establish Sports Authority of India (SAI) Training Centre (STC), Meham, District Rohtak, Haryana was approved in principle on 17.7.2012. The sports infrastructure proposed to be provided by the State Government for setting up of a STC at Meham did not have required residential and indoor facilities (separate indoor halls

for Wrestling and Boxing). Therefore, the Centre at Meham could not be made operational.

Further, Sports Authority of India decided to establish a National Boxing Academy at Rajiv Gandhi Sports HUDA (Haryana Urban Development Authority) Complex, Rohtak in partnership with the State Government and HUDA. The Academy can be made operational during the current financial year subject to execution of MOU with the State Government.

No proposal has been received in SAI from the State Government for opening of STC at Sirsa. However, a request was received from Shri Dushyant Chautala, Member of Parliament (LS) for setting up a Table Tennis Academy which could not be considered, as SAI has decided to establish Table Tennis Academy at Kolkata.

(d) Considering the outstanding performance by Athletes in Haryana, it was recommended to have Boxing, Wrestling and Athletics as identified disciplines in STC Meham and Boxing at Rohtak.

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