

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.297  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.04.2016**

**Shortage of Good Coaches in SAI**

**297. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a lack of good coaches for providing professional training to junior sportspersons in the SAI centres;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with steps taken to provide good coaches for providing professional training to junior sportspersons in the SAI centres;**
- (c) whether it is a fact that retired sportspersons with their experience and expertise could nurture the budding sportspersons; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken or proposed to be taken to engage retired outstanding sportspersons as coaches?**

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

**(a) No, Madam.**

**(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.**

**(c) & (d): Outstanding sportsmen of yesteryears could become coaches subject to acquiring coaching skills. Sports Authority of India (SAI) organizes Diploma Certificate course, refresher course, workshop, etc. in different sports periodically. However, engagement as a coach in SAI is subject to suitability as per Recruitment Rules of SAI.**

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