

[11 August, 2000]

RAJYA SABHA

**Sports Hostel and Stadium in Patna**

2324. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a project for construction of stadium and a sports hostel with 200 beds in Patna, the capital city of Bihar, has been prepared for promotion of copartnership and coaching in sports;

(b) if not, whether necessary steps for such project would be taken in the near future;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) Yes, Sir. Matching Central assistance of Rs. 186.25 lakh has been approved for construction of a State Level Training Complex at Patna, out of which Rs. 19.29 lakh was released on 31.3.99 as 1st instalment. In addition, approval for establishment of a new Centre of SAI at Patna has also been accorded this year.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

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† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.