(b) what action Government would propose, to fill up the shortfall; and

(c) whether 30 NIS-trained coaches locally available in Assam, who are yet to get appointment, would be appointed against the existing vacancies, in preference over other applicants to fill up the above 32 post?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A major constraint in filling up the vacancies of coaches in Assam as well as other States of India is because of the following factors:

(i) The total availability of SAI coaches in the country being limited to only 1600, and there being a ban on further recruitment, the vacancies in several States could not be filled up.

(ii) The Scheme has been reviewed by the Staff Inspection Unit of the Ministry of Finance, whereby the need for possing of **SAI** coaches to District Coaching Centres is to be reassessed resulting in reduction of coaches in each State.

After a final decision on the study made by the SIU, it may be possible to reassess the requirement, and based on total availablity, make necessary adjustments to meet the requirement.

(c) As mentioned at points (a) and (b) the Government has imposed a ban on recruitment in SAI, pending final decision on the SIU review report.

Stadia of 1982 Asian Games

2322. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) how many stadia were built at the time of Asian Games in 1982;
- (b) what are the sports activities presently continuing there;
- (c) what is the maintenance expenditure on these stadia, year-wise;

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- (d) whether they are used for non-sports activities also; and
- (e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The following Stadiums were built at the time of IX Asian Games in 1982:

- 1. Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium
- 2. Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium
- 3. Talkatora Swimming Pool Complex
- 4. Talkatora Indoor Stadium
- 5. Dr. Kami Singh Shooting Ranges

Out of the above five, the Talkatora Indoor Stadium is being maintained and administered by New Delhi Municipal Corporation. The remaining four stadia and also the National Stadium (which was renovated/upgraded for the 1982 Asian Games) is being maintained and administered by SAI on behalf of the Govt, of India.

(b) Sports Authority of India has a regular coaching scheme under which sub-junior and junior sports persons are provided with sports facilities and coaching in the disciplines-facilities available at their particular stadia. In addition to above, sports enthusiasts in the senior age group can also utilise the sports facilities under the Pay & Play Scheme.

The following sports activities are continuing (stadia-wise):----

Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium

Regular Coaching: Athletics, Volleyball, Judo, Boxing, Table Tennis, Billiards & Snookers, Weightlifting, Archery, Lawn Tennis, Cricket, Hockey, Basketball and Physical Fitness.

Pay & Play: Tennis, Billiards & Snookers.

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Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium

Regular Coaching: Badminton, Gymnastics, Basketball, Cycling, Wrestling, Weighthfting, Cricket, Boxing, Archery, Judo, Table Tennis and Physical Fitness.

Pay & Play: Badminton.

In addition to the above, the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium houses a SAI Training Centre and a Centre of Excellence. A new 10 Mtr. Shooting Range has recently been added to the existing sports facilities.

Talkatora Swimming Pool

Regular Coaching: Swimming, Roller Skating, Billiards & Snookers and Fitness.

Pay & Play : Swimming.

Dr. Kami Singh Shooting Ranges

Regular Coaching: Shooting & Fitness.

Pay & Play: Shooting and Fitness.

Besides hosting regular sports activities, the SAI Stadia are also utilised as venues for National Coaching Camps and National and International competitions.

(c) Year Maintenance Expenditure

1997-98	Rs. 5,47,94,219/-
1998-99	Rs. 9,10,04,786/-
1999-2000	Rs. 11,23,90,486"-

(d) Yes, Sir.

In order to generate revenue for the upkeep of the stadia, some facilities (mostly of non sports kind i.e. parking area, vacant areas in the periphery of the stadia) are rented out for short period of time. It is ensured that the sports activities are not hampered in any way by such use.

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S. No.	Name of the Stadium	No. of Non-Sports Activities	Revenue Generated (in rupees)
1.	Jawaharal Nehru Stadium	36	57,61,250/-
2.	Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium	21	65,95,250/-
3.	National Stadium	28	8,85,652/-
4.	Talkatora Swimming Pool	7	4,70,000/-
5.	Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Rangers	-	-
		92	1,37,12,152/-

The non-sports activities include exhibitions, musical concerts, melas, culture programmes etc.

Dope Test on Athletes

2323. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no dope test is conducted on the athletes participating at national level competitions in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the reaction of Government towards the views of a former runner, published in 'Amar-Ujala' of 13th July; and

(d) whether Government propose to take any steps in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) No, Sir. The Dope Control Laboratory of Sports Authority of India is actively engaged in testing the sportspersons for IOC banned drugs. The Tests are conducted during the National Coaching Camps, Selection Trials and prior to the participation of the

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[†] Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.