

Presently, SAI has adopted/established 02 schools and 01 Akhara under NSTC Scheme, 03 SAI Training Centres under STC Scheme, 08 Extension Centres under Extension Centre of STC Scheme in the State of Rajasthan. Total 654 talented sportspersons (473 boys and 181 girls) are being trained on residential and non-residential basis in 15 sports disciplines.

(c) The following Extension Centres of SAI Training Centre (STC) Special Area Games (SAG) Scheme in the State of Rajasthan have already been approved and are being made operational during 2017-18:-

- (1) Sr. Sec. School, Loha, Teh Rattangarh.
- (2) Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Gajuwas, Teh. Taranagar, Distt. Churu.
- (3) Distt. Sports Council, Churu.
- (4) Sri Guru Nanak Girls Post Graduate College, Sriganganagar.
- (5) Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Sadulpur, near Maharana Pratap Chowk, Teh. Rajgarh, Distt. Churu.

#### **Scheme for participation of girls in sporting activities**

4471. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any schemes or programmes to encourage the participation of girls in sporting activities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the information on the number of girls benefited from such programmes, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) to (c) Sir, the Government provides financial assistance, under the scheme of "Assistance to National Sports Federations", to the recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs) for supporting girls/women's exposure, training and participation at national/international level. Similar support is also provided to boys/men.

In addition, Sports Authority of India (SAI) is implementing the following sports promotional schemes across the country to identify talented sportspersons including

women in the age group of 8-25 years and nurture them to excel at National and International competitions:—

- National Sports Talent Contest Scheme (NSTC)
- Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC)
- SAI Training Center (STC)
- Special Area Games (SAG)
- Extension Center of STC/SAG
- Center of Excellence (CoE)
- National Sports Academy (NSA)

In order to identify talented sportspersons including prospective women trainees in various sports disciplines, SAI has established 10 Regional Centers and 02 Academic Institutions for imparting regular sports training in 27 sports disciplines through its 289 SAI Sports Centers spread across the country.

The sportsperson including women trainees identified and trained under SAI schemes are provided with financial benefits in the form of services of expert coaches, indoor and outdoor Playfields, Sports Equipment (Consumable and Non-Consumable), Boarding & Lodging, Sports Kit, Competition Exposure, Educational Expenses, Medical/ Insurance and Stipend as per the approved scheme norms.

Presently, 13684 talented sportspersons identified and are being trained under SAI Schemes across the country of which 4032 are women trainees. However, State-wise data is not maintained.

#### **Financial assistance to State Sports Associations**

†4472. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan to provide financial assistance to State Sports Associations in the country, if so, the details of assistance provided to various sports associations during last three years and current year, State-wise/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;

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