

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1594
ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021

REPRESENTATION OF WOMEN IN SPORTS

1594 SHRI BINOY VISWAM:

Will the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports be pleased to state:

- (a) steps the Ministry has taken to improve the infrastructure and access for women and non-binary genders to pursue sports as a professional career;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there is a difference in pay amongst sportspersons based on their gender;
- (c) the details of wages given to sportspersons in different sports under the Ministry's control; and
- (d) the total number of male and female sportspersons, coaches and sports related staff currently employed under various bodies/associations that are under the Ministry's control, sports-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility for development of sports, including improvement of infrastructure access for women and non-binary genders, rests with the State / Union Territory Governments. Central Government supplements their efforts in this regard. Under the "Utilization and Creation/ Upgradation of Sports Infrastructure" vertical of the Khelo India Scheme, this Ministry renders financial support for creation of sports infrastructure such as synthetic athletic tracks, synthetic hockey fields, synthetic turf football grounds, multipurpose halls, swimming pools, etc. Since the commencement of the Scheme, 272 sports infrastructure projects have been sanctioned by this Ministry across the country.

(b) and (c) There is no provision in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports for payment of wages or salary to the sportspersons of either gender. Under this Ministry's Scheme of cash awards to medal winners in international sports events and their coaches, cash awards are given to the medal winners and their coaches for the medals won in international sports events prescribed in the Scheme. The Scheme of cash awards is gender neutral and award money is equal for all gender of sportspersons.

(d) Sports-wise details of total number of male and female coaches under Sports Authority of India (SAI), an autonomous body under this Ministry, are at Annexure.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1594 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021 REGARDING “REPRESENTATION OF WOMEN IN SPORTS” ASKED BY SHRI BINOY VISWAM, HON’BLE MEMBER OF RAJYA SABHA

Sports-wise details of total number of male and female coaches under SAI

Discipline	Number of regular coaches			Number of contract coaches		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
Archery	10	27	37	5	5	10
Athletics	16	77	93	5	23	28
Badminton	4	28	32	1	3	4
Basketball	4	19	23	4	3	7
Boxing	13	52	65	7	11	18
Cricket	1	11	12	0	0	0
Cycling	3	9	12	1	6	7
Fencing	0	4	4	4	8	12
Football	1	45	46	3	16	19
Gymnastics	17	26	43	2	4	6
Handball	4	16	20	1	4	5
Hockey	21	33	54	3	6	9
Judo	16	18	34	1	6	7
Kayaking & Canoeing	1	7	8	0	2	2
KKK	4	14	18	6	7	13
Karate	0	0	0	2	4	6
Lawn Tennis	0	9	9	1	0	1
Rowing	1	4	5	0	1	1
Sailing	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sepak Takraw	0	0	0	0	6	6
Shooting	0	0	0	1	2	3
Soft Ball	0	0	0	0	3	3
Swimming	5	18	23	0	3	3
Table tennis	6	8	14	1	7	8
Taekwondo	4	18	22	3	3	6
Volleyball	7	36	43	6	6	12
Weightlifting	2	21	23	6	9	15
Wrestling	5	27	32	7	29	36
Wushu	2	7	9	5	6	11
Grand Total	147	534	681	75	184	259
