## **Press Release**

## 43rd Governing Body meeting of Sports Authority of India

**13 Mar 2015, NEW DELHI:** Sports Authority of India (SAI) had its 43<sup>rd</sup> Governing body meeting today at SAI Head Office, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Delhi. Meeting was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minsiter of State (I/C) Youth affairs and Sports Sh. Sarbananda Sonowal.

In the meeting Hon'ble MOS emphasized on the target oriented approach for development of the sports and effective implementation of all SAI sports promotional schemes across the country. He also stressed upon nurturing the budding talent from the rural area.

Governing Body took some major decisions related to renovation and development of infrastructure. Around 11 projects amounting to approx Rs. 72 Cr. were cleared. This includes construction of 400 bedded dormitory at Jawahrlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi, upgradation of Hostels at NSSC, Bengaluru, Construction of 100 bedded hostel at SAI Sonepat, Rennovation of 240 bedded hostel at NS NIS Patilala and major revamp of Special Area centre at Tinsukiya(Assam). Construction of synthetic track at HATC Shillaroo, Wrestling hall at SAI Sonepat and relaying of wooden flooring of multipurpose hall at SAI sub centre Guwahati, and renovation of swimming pool complex at NSSC Bengaluru were also approved.

With a vision to provide the best scientific support during the National camps additional fund in tune of Rs.3.8 Cr was approved for procurement Scientific equipment for Four Regional Centres viz. NSSC Banglore,SAI Bhopal ,SAI Sonepat and NSNIS Patiala.

GB gave a go ahead for Setting up of Navy Boys Sports Comapany(NBSC) for Sailing, Kayaking and Canoeing at Indian Naval Academy, Ezhimala (Kerala) and raising of Air Force Boys Sports Squadrons (AFBSS) for Boxing and wrestling at Air force Station Belgaum on the pattern of Army Boys sports company scheme(ABSCs). A new SAI Training Centre in Jammu and extension centre at Srinagar has also been approved.

Proposal for setting up of a Sports Museum in Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi was also in principally approved. The Museum will demonstrate the journey of traditional Indian Sports to modern one.

The meeting was attended by Sh. Ajit M Sharan Secretary (Sports), Sh. Injeti Srinivas, DG, SAI, Sh. Hira Ballabh, Secretary, SAI, Sh. Murad Ali, P. Gopi Cahnd, Viren Rasquina, Ashwani Nachappa, Baichang bhutia, Sh. Zafar Iqbal and other eminent Sports person along with official from SAI and MYAS.

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