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Press Release

New Delhi, 11th June, 2015: An inmate of SAI Centre of Excellence, Thiruvananthapuram, Nithin. U, 18 year old (DOB: 28.02.1997) who won a Bronze medal in the Youth National Championship 2014 held in Goa and is currently training under Shri N.V. Nishad Kumar, Athletics Coach, hurt himself yesterday early morning, which was noticed by his roommate and reported to the hostel warden, his coach and the Centre incharge. The boy was rushed to Medical College Hospital where the doctors discharged him after giving him a minor stitch and first-aid as the wound was only skin deep. Later, the boy was referred to the Psychiatric Department of the Medical College Hospital for counseling.

2. Nithin has given a written statement stating that he felt mentally tense thinking about upcoming competitions and hurt his wrist when he banged it against a broken glass window pane. He expressed deep regret for having caused inconvenience and embarrassment to his coach and others and stated that he did not do so deliberately.

3. An internal committee has been constituted for enquiring into the matter and submitting a report.

4. The local police has enquired into the incident and recorded statements from the trainee and concerned SAI officials.

5. On the advice of the hospital authorities, Shri Nithin. U has been kept under observation to assess his psychological condition. His relatives and friends have been allowed to stay with him to give him company. Further action for his well being will be taken as advised by the medical team.
