

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-795
ANSWERED ON- 08/02/2024

PARTICIPATION IN 'KHELO INDIA' GAMES

795. SHRI RAKESH SINHA

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) State-wise details in respect of the number of sportspersons participating in this year under 'Khelo India' event;
- (b) whether the Union Government has any scheme in the offing so that the States lagging behind in this event may be provided adequate technical and specialised support;
- (c) if so, the detail of such schemes; and
- (d) if not, the manner in which the Union Government proposes to provide a level playing field to the States which could not fare well in this event successively?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

- (a) The State-wise details in respect of the number of sportspersons who have participated in this year under 'Khelo India' event are at Annexure.
- (b) to (d) Yes, Sir. Under the Khelo India Scheme, Wild-Card entries are provided to States/UTs whose participation is less than or equal to 30 (thirty) athletes in the previous edition, so as to ensure adequate representation of all States/UTs in the Khelo India Games.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 795 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2024 REGARDING “PARTICIPATION IN 'KHELO INDIA' GAMES” ASKED BY SHRI RAKESH SINHA, HON’BLE MP.

State-wise details in respect of the number of sportspersons who have participated in this year under 'Khelo India' event

S. No.	State/UT	Number of participants
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	9
2	Andhra Pradesh	123
3	Arunachal Pradesh	22
4	Assam	84
5	Bihar	96
6	Chandigarh	126
7	Chhattisgarh	138
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	4
9	Delhi	334
10	Goa	60
11	Gujarat	243
12	Haryana	609
13	Himachal Pradesh	83
14	Jammu and Kashmir	66
15	Jharkhand	157
16	Karnataka	300
17	Kerala	190
18	Ladakh	18
19	Lakshadweep	11
20	Madhya Pradesh	236
21	Maharashtra	467
22	Manipur	107
23	Meghalaya	19
24	Mizoram	44
25	Nagaland	11
26	Odisha	156
27	Puducherry	95
28	Punjab	290
29	Rajasthan	366
30	Sikkim	4
31	Tamil Nadu	636
32	Telangana	120
33	Tripura	66
34	Uttar Pradesh	357
35	Uttarakhand	78
36	West Bengal	170
	Total	5895
