

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2071
ANSWERED ON-08/08/2024

SCHOLARSHIPS TO ENCOURAGE SPORTSPERSONS

2071# SHRI NARHARI AMIN:

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

- (a) whether Government grants sports scholarships to encourage sportspersons;
- (b) if so, the details of the Sports Scholarship Scheme;
- (c) the amount of financial assistance provided to sportspersons in the country so far since 2019 along with the number of sportspersons who have been granted such assistance under the Scheme;
- (d) the amount of financial assistance provided to sportspersons in Gujarat during last two years along with number of sportspersons granted such assistance, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the sports for which and the category of sportspersons to whom, sports scholarships are granted, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (c): While there is no scheme named as “Sports Scholarship Scheme”, under Khelo India Scheme of Government of India, the Khelo India Athletes (KIAs) are provided an Out of Pocket Allowance (OPA) of ₹10,000/- on a monthly basis once the athlete is inducted in the Scheme. As on date, 2737 athletes in 21 sports disciplines (including Para sports) have been notified as KIAs.

Moreover, under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS), OPA is provided to the athletes at the rate of ₹50,000/- per month for the Core Group and ₹25,000/- per month for the Development Group athletes.

(d): The details of OPA given to the KIAs in Gujarat are as mentioned below:

S.N.	FY	Total KIAs	Total Amount (in ₹)
1	2022-23	81	91,40,000
2	2023-24	65	76,50,000

The details of funds released under TOPS Scheme for sportspersons from Gujarat are provided at Annexure – I.

(e): The details of the sports and the category of sportspersons for which out of pocket allowance are granted are attached at Annexure – II.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (D) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2071 FOR 08.08.2024 ASKED BY SHRI NARHARI AMIN REGARDING “SCHOLARSHIPS TO ENCOURAGE SPORTSPERSONS”.

FUNDS RELEASED UNDER TOPS SCHEME TO SPORTSPERSONS FROM GUJARAT

SN	Discipline	Name of Athlete	Event	Core / Development	Gender	State	Total
1.	Badminton	Tasnim Mir	Women's Singles	Development	Female	Gujarat	₹9,81,640
2.	Table Tennis	Harmeet Desai	Men's Singles	Core	Male	Gujarat	₹10,23,328/-
3.	Table Tennis	Manav Thakkar	Men's Singles	Development	Male	Gujarat	₹22,26,976
4.	Table Tennis	Manush Shah	Men's Singles	Development	Male	Gujarat	₹19,29,404
5.	Swimming	Aryan Nehra	400m, 800m & 1500m Freestyle	Development	Male	Gujarat	₹23,60,963
6.	Para Badminton	Parul Parmar	WS SL3	Core	Female	Gujarat	₹13,22,122
7.	Para Badminton	Manasi Joshi	WS SL3	Core	Female	Gujarat	₹26,16,695
8.	Para Table Tennis	Bhavina Patel	Women's Wheelchair - Class 4	Core	Female	Gujarat	₹85,26,237
9.	Shooting	Elavenil Valarivan	10m Air Rifle Women	Core	Female	Gujarat	₹20,67,716
GRAND TOTAL							₹2,20,31,753

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DISCIPLINE-WISE DETAILS OF OPA GRANTED UNDER KHELO INDIA

S.N.	Sports Discipline	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY2024-25 (till June 2024)
1	Archery	1,52,60,000	1,48,50,000	37,40,000
2	Athletics	2,15,90,000	2,26,10,000	53,40,000
3	Badminton	1,30,20,000	1,47,90,000	41,80,000
4	Basketball	1,21,70,000	1,29,30,000	27,90,000
5	Boxing	1,63,80,000	1,67,60,000	41,10,000
6	Cycling	1,58,90,000	1,29,90,000	35,30,000
7	Fencing	1,63,10,000	1,60,70,000	34,60,000
8	Football	1,37,10,000	1,68,00,000	39,00,000
9	Gymnastics	1,10,80,000	1,07,50,000	28,00,000
10	Hockey	2,19,50,000	2,16,40,000	57,00,000
11	Judo	1,77,60,000	1,22,30,000	31,70,000
12	Kabaddi	1,06,90,000	1,11,90,000	30,00,000
13	Kho-Kho	1,16,80,000	1,16,20,000	NA
14	Rowing	98,40,000	1,22,80,000	31,60,000
15	Shooting	2,12,10,000	2,15,90,000	55,60,000
16	Swimming	1,65,50,000	1,58,10,000	43,70,000
17	Table Tennis	1,30,30,000	1,37,80,000	28,70,000
18	Volleyball	1,18,40,000	1,19,50,000	32,90,000
19	Tennis	NA	NA	-
20	Weightlifting	1,58,00,000	1,74,70,000	42,80,000
21	Wrestling	1,64,30,000	1,92,90,000	48,30,000
22	Para Sports	31,30,000	36,90,000	22,80,000
Total		30,53,20,000	31,10,90,000	7,63,60,000
