

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 475
ANSWERED ON 25/07/2024

TRAINING UNDER NSTC SCHEME

475. SMT. JEBI MATHER HISHAM:

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

- (a) the amount of money spent on the National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Scheme over the last five years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of kids aged 8-14 years provided with scientific training under the NSTC Scheme, the State/UT-wise details thereof over the last five years;
- (c) the initiatives taken to further reach out to sports talents participating in indigenous sports and games, the State/UT-wise details thereof; and
- (d) the amount of spending made to promote the talents of indigenous sports and games, the State/UT-wise details thereof for the last five years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

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- (a): Funds are allocated by Sports Authority of India (SAI), an Autonomous Body under this Ministry, to its Regional Centres for implementing various Sports Promotional Schemes including NSTC Scheme. However, the scheme-wise funds are not maintained by SAI.
- (b): The number of kids aged 8-14 years provided with scientific training under the NSTC Scheme, the State/UT-wise details thereof over the last five years is at **Annexure-I**.
- (c): Various initiatives taken by this Ministry to further reach out to sports talent participating in indigenous sports and games are as follows :
- Under Khelo India Scheme, there is a component namely “Promotion of Rural/ Indigenous & Tribal Games” under the vertical “Promotion of Inclusiveness through Sport” to support indigenous games such as Silambam, Kalaripayattu, Mallakhamb, Gatka and Thang-Ta. The details of athletes of traditional games under Khelo India Scheme is at **Annexure – II**.
 - Various Indigenous games such as Mallakhamb, Kalaripayattu, Gatka, Thang-Ta and Yogasana were included as competitive sports in the Khelo India Youth Games -2021, Haryana and Khelo India Youth Games- 2022, Madhya Pradesh. Similarly, Mallakhamb and Yogasana

were included in Khelo India University Games- 2021, Karnataka and Khelo India University Games – 2022, Uttar Pradesh.

- Under “Promotion of Inclusiveness through Sports” vertical of Khelo India Scheme, Khelo India Women’s League (ASMITA League) was conducted for disciplines viz., Kho Kho and Yogasana in 2022-23 and 2023-24. During 2023-24, a total of 1401 female athletes participated in Khelo India Yogasana Women’s League and 1580 female athletes participated in Khelo India Kho-Kho Women’s League.

(d): Funds are not allocated scheme-wise by SAI. Further, under the sub-component “Promotion of Rural/ Indigenous & Tribal Games” of Khelo India Scheme, funds have been allocated for Out of Pocket Allowance (OPA) to athletes as under :

(in ₹ crore)

2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Total
10.58	4.62	1.55	Nil	Nil	16.75

Moreover, financial support is also being provided to conduct various tournaments at National level under the scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations to improve competitiveness. Further, some National Sports Federations viz. Kho Kho, Kabaddi and Yogasana, which have been recognised by the Government to promote the concerned indigenous/traditional sports, are also provided assistance for conducting national coaching camp, participation of Indian players in International events and for organizing International tournaments in India.

ANNEXURE – I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 475 FOR 25.07.2024 ASKED BY SMT. JEBI MATHER HISHAM REGARDING “TRAINING UNDER NSTC SCHEME”.

S. No.	State	Regular Schools					Indigenous Games & Martial Arts (IGMA)				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Assam	27	29	27	37	37	20	20	20	20	20
2	Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Kerala	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	20	15
4	Karnataka	27	0	08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Manipur	34	34	34	34	34	43	45	43	43	45
7	Madhya Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Odisha	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Punjab	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	13	13	13
10	Rajasthan	125	115	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
11	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0	0	37	40	0	37	40
12	Tripura	24	22	15	15	15	0	0	0	0	0
13	Uttar Pradesh	14	14	7	7	7	0	0	0	0	0
14	Chandigarh	22	22	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL:	273	236	96	98	98	133	138	76	133	133

S. No.	State	Adopted Akharas				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Assam	47	37	47	49	49
2	Haryana	27	27	86	91	91
3	Kerala	0	0	0	0	0
4	Karnataka	0	0	0	0	0
5	Maharashtra	250	270	240	410	410
6	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0
7	Madhya Pradesh	25	17	25	50	50
8	Odisha	20	20	20	20	20
9	Punjab	46	43	53	33	33
10	Rajasthan	23	22	20	20	20
11	Tamilnadu	0	0	0	0	0
12	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0
13	Uttar Pradesh	189	189	81	81	81
14	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0
15	Delhi	43	43	84	170	170
	TOTAL:	670	668	656	924	924

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A. Details of athletes of traditional games under Khelo India Scheme

S.N.	Discipline	No. of Athletes	Boys	Girls
1.	Mallakhamb	2417	1301	1116
2.	Kalaripayattu	1100	650	450
3.	Thang-Ta	2700	1500	1200
4.	Gatka	3430	1990	1440

B. Training Centres identified for Indigenous Games

S.N.	Indigenous Game	Training Centre
1.	Mallakhamb	Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh Bharatpur, Rajasthan Hyderabad, Telangana Delhi Goa
2.	Kalaripayattu	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala Aranmula, Kerala
3.	Thang Ta	Imphal, Manipur Chachar, Assam Dharmanagar, Tripura
4.	Gatka	Chandigarh Jalandhar, Punjab Kurukshetra, Haryana
