

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 476**  
ANSWERED ON- 28/11/2024

**KHELO INDIA RISING TALENT IDENTIFICATION**

476 SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

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

- (a) the number of athletes identified and selected under Khelo India Rising Talent Identification (KIRTI) so far, State-wise;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated and spent on the assessment programs conducted under KIRTI;
- (c) whether Government plans to upgrade the scheme and train the athletes after selection, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government plans to extend more talent assessment programs, particularly in the State of Tamil Nadu, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) State-wise details of assessments conducted under Khelo India Rising Talent Identification (KIRTI), are at Annexure – I.
- (b) The Ministry has allocated a total sum of Rs. 11,19,50,000/- for KIRTI assessments. Out of this, a total of Rs. 6,01,17,351/- has been spent on conduct of KIRTI assessments.
- (c) KIRTI aims to identify young athletes aged 9 to 18, focusing on uncovering hidden talents from the grassroots level. Under KIRTI, athletes undergo a series of pre-defined tests designed to evaluate their skills and potential comprehensively using KIRTI assessment protocols. The process of talent identification can help in talent development and nurturing in the future.
- (d) The KIRTI assessments are already conducted across the country, including in the State of Tamil Nadu.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 476 FOR REPLY ON 28.11.2024 REGARDING KHELO INDIA RISING TALENT IDENTIFICATION ASKED BY SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA, HON'BLE MP.**

S. N.	State / Union Territory	No of Assessments
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	3,750
2	Andhra Pradesh	10,954
3	Arunachal Pradesh	3,461
4	Assam	11,361
5	Bihar	5,291
6	Chandigarh	1,661
7	Chhattisgarh	4,631
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu	814
9	Delhi	12,544
10	Goa	-
11	Gujarat	9,401
12	Haryana	12,548
13	Himachal Pradesh	1,186
14	Jammu & Kashmir	458
15	Jharkhand	7,997
16	Karnataka	4,914
17	Kerala	4,037
18	Ladakh	244
19	Lakshadweep	459
20	Madhya Pradesh	9,318
21	Maharashtra	25,434
22	Manipur	2,306
23	Meghalaya	4,160
24	Mizoram	4,225
25	Nagaland	3,504
26	Odisha	7,208
27	Puducherry	961
28	Punjab	3,427
29	Rajasthan	7,187
30	Sikkim	1,617
31	Tamil Nadu	1,565
32	Telangana	2,026
33	Tripura	3,646
34	Uttar Pradesh	8,895
35	Uttarakhand	1,311
36	West Bengal	5,420
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,87,921</b>

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