

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1589
ANSWERED ON- 12/02/2026

PERFORMANCE OF ATHLETES

1589. DR. PARMAR JASHVANTSINH SALAMSINH
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of athletes inducted into Khelo India programmes during the last three years, discipline-wise;
- (b) the number of athletes who exited the programme during this period and the reasons for their exiting;
- (c) whether performance benchmarks were revised for retention;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) how transitions from junior to senior levels are being tracked; and
- (f) the outcomes achieved in national and international competitions?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) Discipline-wise number of athletes inducted into Khelo India Scheme during the last three years are at Annexure – I.
- (b) A total of 1,342 athletes have exited the programme during the last three years due to performance below the prescribed benchmarks and involvement in doping violations.
- (c) And (d) Yes, performance benchmarks are revised annually and are updated on the Khelo India website from time to time. The details in this regard are available at <https://kheloindia.gov.in/latestnews.html>.
- (e) Athlete performance is mapped and measured annually as per the prescribed protocols and in assessment camps.
- (f) Outcomes achieved in national and international competitions are at Annexure – II.

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Discipline-wise number of athletes inducted into Khelo India Scheme during the last three years		
S.No.	Discipline	Grand Total
1.	Archery	160
2.	Athletics	222
3.	Badminton	160
4.	Basketball	90
5.	Boxing	144
6.	Cycling	136
7.	Fencing	148
8.	Football	113
9.	Gymnastics	96
10.	Hockey	190
11.	Judo	137
12.	Kabaddi	98
13.	Para Sports	80
14.	Rowing	108
15.	Shooting	218
16.	Swimming	147
17.	Table Tennis	118
18.	Tennis	99
19.	Volleyball	117
20.	Weightlifting	145
21.	Wrestling	179
22.	Kayaking & Canoeing	0
Grand Total		2905

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Achievements of Khelo India Athletes			
Year	National Medals	International Medals	Total Medals
2023-24	3,643	463	4,106
2024-25	229	187	416
2025-26	854	295	1,149
Total	4,726	945	5,671
