

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3039
ANSWERED ON- 13/08/2026

KHELO INDIA CENTRES IN NAGALAND

3039 SMT. S. PHANGNON KONYAK:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to establish Khelo India Centres in every district of Nagaland; and
- (b) the steps taken to ensure regular coaching, sports science support and nutrition for rural athletes?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

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(a) As per the sanctioned 1250 Khelo India Centres, 1066 Khelo India Centres have been notified in 36 States/UTs, including in the State of Nagaland. The details of various sports facilities under the Khelo India Scheme, such as Sports Infrastructure, Khelo India Centres (KIC), Khelo India State Centres of Excellence (KISCE) and Khelo India Accredited Academies (KIAA) along with Khelo India Athletes (KIA) and coaches, across the country, including in the State of Nagaland, are available in the public domain on the dashboard of the Ministry at <https://dashboard.kheloindia.gov.in>.

(b) 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility for development of sports, including taking steps to ensure regular coaching, sports science support and nutrition for rural athletes, rests primarily with the respective State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports implements the following schemes for development of sports in the country, including in the rural areas of the State of Nagaland:

- i. Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports;
- ii. Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs);
- iii. Cash Incentives to Medal Winners in International Sports Events and their coaches;
- iv. National Sports Awards;
- v. Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons;
- vi. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Program for Sportspersons;
- vii. National Sports Development Fund;
- viii. Running Sports Training centres through Sports Authority of India (SAI); and
- ix. National Centre for Sports Science and Research (NCSSR).

Details of the above schemes are available in the public domain on the websites of this Ministry and the Sports Authority of India.
