

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)**

**LOK SABHA
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Khelo India Programme

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

(a) whether the Government has launched the “Khelo India Programme” to promote sports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details and the number of training camps organised so far under Khelo India Programme in the State of Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the details and the number of training camps organized along with the number of sportspersons trained in these camps, State/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
{ SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR }**

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. With a view to achieving the twin objectives of mass participation and promotion of excellence in sports, the Government introduced the Scheme of “Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports” in 2016-17. The Government has decided to continue the Khelo India Scheme over the 15th Finance Commission Cycle (2021-22 to 2025-26) at an outlay of ₹ 3165.50 crore. It is a flagship Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports which aims at infusing sports culture and achieving sporting excellence in the country thus allowing the populace to harness the power of sports

through its cross-cutting influence. The Khelo India programme includes filling up of critical gaps in sports infrastructure through creation and upgradation of various categories of sport infrastructure; playfield development; community coaching development; promotion of community sports; establishment of a strong sports competition structure at both school and university level as also for rural / indigenous sports, sports for persons with disability and women; including creation of hubs of sports excellence in select universities; talent identification and development; support to sports academies; implementation of a national physical fitness drive for school children; and sports for peace and development. The details of Khelo India scheme are available on the website of this Ministry. Training being an integral part of promotion of sports activity, it is imparted to the athletes on the continuous basis as per their requirement.
