

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3448
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2023**

Participation of Tribal Youth in Sports

†3448. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

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

(a) the number of youth from tribal areas participating in sports competitions in the country sport and State/UT-wise during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of the special schemes implemented in rural areas, particularly in the tribal areas of Rajasthan to identify and groom young talents; and

(c) the details of the funds spent on the training imparted to the said youth and the number of youth benefited therefrom during the said period?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
[SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]**

(a): The Ministry does not maintain data relating to number of youth from tribal areas participating in sports competitions.

(b)& (c): 'Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of promotion of sports activities primarily rests with the State/Union Territory Governments. Central Government supplements their efforts by bridging the critical gaps. Under the Khelo India Scheme, one components namely, "Promotion of rural and indigenous/tribal

games” is specifically dedicated towards promotion of sports in tribal areas including in the tribal areas of Rajasthan. Details of the funds released towards this component during last two years and current year are as under:

(Rs. In crore)

Component	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Promotion of rural and indigenous/tribal games.	8.09	5.63	1.26
