

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †814
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Special Campaigns for Young Talents

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

- (a) whether any scheme to encourage the youth of country towards sports is being run by the Government and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government is running any special campaign to improve young talents in sports, providing resources, incentives and opportunities to participate in regional national and international competitions;**
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to encourage the youth belonging to Delhi along with the number of youth from North-East Delhi Parliamentary Constituency for whom such steps have been taken; and**
- (d) the number of sports complex in Delhi set up or likely to be set up particularly in North-East Delhi in future?**

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

(a) to (d) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is running various schemes for promotion of sports culture, including encouraging youth towards sports, and attaining excellence in sports at national and international level, across the country, including the Union Territory of Delhi. These schemes include: - (i) Khelo India Scheme (ii) Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs); (iii) Special Awards to Winners in International sports events and their Coaches; (iv) National Sports Awards, Pension to Meritorious Sports Persons; (v) National Sports Development Fund; and (vi) Sports Training Centres run through Sports Authority of India (SAI). Details of these schemes are available in the public domain on the dashboard of the Ministry.

'Sports' being a State subject, the primary responsibility of creation of sports infrastructure, including sports complexes, rests with the respective State/Union Territory Governments. Central Government supplements their efforts. However, at present, 5 stadia, one SAI Training Centre (STC) and 8 adopted akharas, are functional/ maintained under various sports promotional scheme of this Ministry, in the Union Territory (UT) of Delhi, which are available for use by athletes, from any region of the country.

Further, no proposal for setting up of new sports complex in Delhi is under consideration in this Ministry.
