

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 815  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.09.2020**

**Funds for Development of Sports**

**†815. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:**

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

- (a) the details of amount spent on improving level of sports during the last three years and in the current year, sports-wise and State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the amount allotted for development of sports has been utilized by the Uttar Pradesh Government;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has devised any mechanism for ensuring concrete benefit of amount spent and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government for development of sports in the country; and**
- (f) the details of budget allotted in last five years by SAI in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh?**

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**  
**FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**  
**[SHRI KIREN RIJIJU]**

**(a) to (c): Details of amount spent on various sports promotional schemes of the Department for improving level of sports during the last three years and in the current year is given at Annexure-I. All promotional schemes of the Department, are Central Sector Schemes, hence, details of amount spent on these schemes are not maintained either State/UT-wise or sports-wise.**

**(d): The progress of expenditure on funds allocated to various schemes of the Department for development of sports is monitored by calling reports periodically, having meetings with representatives of States/Union Territories/National Sports Federations (NSFs), visits by Officers wherever possible, etc. with a view to reach the benefit of schemes to actual beneficiaries.**

**(e): “Sports” being a State subject, the primary responsibility for development and promotion of sports rests with the respective State/UT Government. Department of Sports supplements efforts of the State/UT Government through its various schemes which are equally applicable to the whole country irrespective of any specific State/UT. The details of steps taken at the level of Central Government for development/promotion of sports in the country under various sports promotional schemes are at Annexure-II.**

**(f): SAI does not allocate the funds district-wise. However, one coach is posted in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh and expenditure on salary is being met by SAI.**

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ANNEXURE-I

**Details of amount spent on various sports promotional schemes of the Department for improving level of sports during the last three years and in the current year upto 08.09.2020**

Amount in ₹crore

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of Scheme</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21 (upto 08.09.2020)</b>
1.	Sports Authority of India (SAI)	495.73	395.00	615.00	250.00
2.	Special Awards to Winners in International sports events and their Coaches	10.34	30.94	61.54	0.57
3.	National Sports Awards	1.61	1.83	1.65	0.00
4.	Pension to Meritorious Sports Persons	1.96	29.77	46.99	6.96
5.	Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs)	277.68	243.63	300.85	36.56
6.	National Sports Development Fund	2.00	2.00	77.15	6.23
7.	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Sports Welfare Fund	0.30	1.00	1.00	0.00
8.	Khelo India	346.99	342.24	575.52	115.37
<b>Total:</b>		<b>1136.61</b>	<b>1046.41</b>	<b>1679.7</b>	<b>415.69</b>

**The details of steps taken at the level of Central Government for development/promotion of sports in the country under various sports promotional schemes**

SAI has established 23 National Centres of Excellence (NCOE) to implement their Sports Promotional Schemes across the country along with 66 SAI Training Centres (STCs), 90 Extension Centres, and 68 National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Schools & Akharas. (10248 sports persons (6262 boys and 3986 girls) are being trained in 27 sports disciplines on residential and non-residential basis.

Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOP Scheme or TOPS) has been launched as a flagship athlete centric program to provide assistance to India's top athletes in their preparations for the Olympic and Paralympic Games. The Scheme currently supports 94 athletes in 9 sports for Tokyo 2021 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Department of Sports provides assistance to elite sportspersons preparing for major international events such as Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games etc. by providing funding support through its scheme of Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs).

Under the revamped 'Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports' aims at strengthening the entire sports ecosystem to promote the twin national objectives of mass participation and promotion of excellence in sports across the country.

The scheme of "Special Awards to winners in international sports events and their coaches" has been revised. Under the revised scheme, now para-athletes is treated at par with normal athletes. Award money has also been revised which now ranges from ₹1.00 lakh to ₹75lakh. The pensions given to sportspersons under "Pension to meritorious sportspersons scheme" has been revised and now amount of pension ranges from ₹12,000/- to ₹20,000/-.

The prize money for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award has been increased to ₹25 lakh from the previous amount of ₹7.5 lakh, Arjuna Award has been enhanced to ₹15 lakh from ₹5 lakh, Dhronacharya (Lifetime) awardees, who were earlier given ₹5 lakh will now be given ₹15 lakh as cash prize, while Dhronacharya (Regular) will be given ₹10 lakh instead of ₹5 lakh per awardee. Dhyanchand Awardees will be given ₹10 lakh instead of ₹5 lakh.

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