

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 564  
ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021**

**2028 Olympics**

**564. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:**

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

**(a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the sports ecosystems to bring the rural sports talent in the mainstream of sports to fulfill the aim to bring India in top 10 by the 2028 Olympics;**

**(b) if so, the manner in which it is proposed to be propelled; and**

**(c) the detailed road map prepared and the steps being taken by the Government to move towards the target of achievement for the 2028 Olympics?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) and (b) Talent identification and grooming of identified sportspersons and teams, including those from rural areas of the country, for their participation in international sports events, including Olympics 2028, is done under the Khelo India Scheme and sports promotional schemes of Sports Authority of India (SAI), viz. National Centres of Excellence, SAI Training Centre (STC), Extension Centre of STCs, and National Sports Talent Contest.**

**(c) Preparation of Indian sportspersons and teams for international events, including Olympics 2028, is a continuous process. Talented sportspersons are provided competitive exposure and training under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs and Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). Under TOPS, customized training is provided to the medal probables for international events, including Olympics 2028. Training and competition**

**requirements of various sports including those of Olympics are considered and decided as part of the Annual Calendar of Training and Competitions (ACTC) in consultation with the concerned National Sports Federations and SAI.**

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