

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 390  
ANSWERED ON 30.11.2021**

**Promotion of Sports and Sportsperson in North East**

**390. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken special initiatives to promote sports and encourage North East sportspersons in North East; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) Yes, Sir. The Union Government, under its “Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports” and various Sports Promotional Schemes run by Sports Authority of India (SAI), has taken special initiatives to promote sports and encourage sportspersons in the country, including the North East Region.**

**(b) Under the Khelo India Scheme, several initiatives have been taken to promote sports and encourage sportspersons in the North East Region, including the following:**

- 62 sports infrastructure projects amounting to ₹ 423.01 crore have been sanctioned.**
- ₹ 5.71 crore in 2018-19 and ₹ 1.80 crore in 2019-20 were provided for conducting sports events/activities in the disturbed areas.**
- 217 Khelo India Athletes have been identified.**
- 08 Khelo India State Centres of Excellence, 152 Khelo India Centres, 20 Accredited Academies and 02 Army Boys Sports Companies have been notified.**
- Khelo India Youth Games, 2020 were held in Guwahati, Assam.**
- 1756 sportspersons from North East Region have participated in 04 editions of Khelo India National School/Youth and University Games conducted so far.**
- 03 Thang-Ta academies have been established (one each in Assam, Manipur and Tripura).**

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