

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2258  
ANSWERED ON 15.03.2022**

**Sports Participation in Himalyan Regions**

**2258. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has launched or intends to boost sports participation in the Himalayan regions;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the details of all the schemes that the Government is currently implementing or is planning to implement in the Himalyan regions; and**
- (d) the details of the amount sanctioned and utilized under the schemes, State-wise including the Himalyan region States?**

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

**(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. For boosting sports participation in the country, including the Himalayan Region, this Ministry implements a number of Schemes aimed at broad-basing of sports and promotion of excellence in sports. Under the Khelo India Scheme, 77 sports infrastructure projects of various categories have been sanctioned in the Himalayan Region amounting to ₹ 506.13 crore. Further, 24 sports academies have been accredited and 199 Khelo India Centres (district level) and 11 Khelo India State Centres of Excellence have been approved under the Khelo India Scheme in the Himalayan Region. In addition, under the “Enhancement of Sports Facilities at J&K” (PMDP) programme of the Government, 30 sports infrastructure projects as well as sports equipment have been sanctioned in the Himalayan UTs of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh amounting to ₹ 273.85 crore.**

**(c) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports implements the following schemes for development of sports in the country, including the Himalayan Region:**

**(i) Khelo India Scheme; (ii) Assistance to National Sports Federations; (iii) Special Awards to Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches; (iv) National Sports Awards; (v) Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons; (vi) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Sports Welfare Fund; (vii) National Sports Development Fund; (viii) Running Sports Training Centres through Sports Authority of India; and (ix) Enhancement of Sports Facilities at J&K (PMDP).**

**Details of the above schemes are available in the public domain on the websites of this Ministry and the Sports Authority of India.**

**(d) Funds are allocated Scheme-wise, not State-wise. During the last three years, ₹ 4,694.92 crore were allocated and ₹ 4,590.89 crore released under the various sports development schemes of this Ministry.**

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