

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1007  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025**

**Khelo India Winter Games**

**1007. SHRI YOGENDER CHANDOLIA:**

**SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:**

**SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:**

**SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:**

**SHRI ANANTA NAYAK:**

**SMT. KAMLESH JANGDE:**

**SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP:**

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

- (a) the details of steps being taken by the Government to ensure the inclusion/participation of local youth particularly from remote and tribal areas of the country, particularly in Chhattisgarh and Odisha including, Baster district in Chhattisgarh in the Khelo India Winter Games;**
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to use the said Games as a platform to prepare athletes for international competitions; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
{ DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA }**

**(a) As a notable initiative of this Ministry, so far 4 editions of Khelo India Winter Games have been conducted, wherein athletes from 36 states and UTs have participated. Further, the format of Khelo India Games does not restrict anyone from participation and is open to participants from all over the country, including Chhattisgarh and Odisha.**

**(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. These Games aim to provide a platform that meets International standards in terms of accommodation, transportation, kits, sports equipment, venues etc.**

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