

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1694  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025**

**Increasing Budget of Sports Development for Grassroots Level**

**1694. Shri Sukanta Kumar Panigrahi:**

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

- (a) the total budget allocation for sports infrastructure and training programmes in the current financial year;**
- (b) whether the budget has significantly increased during the last five years, which reflect the Government's strong commitment to sports development, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the funds provided under the Khelo India programme in the current year and during the past five years and its positive impact on youth participation and the development of young athletes at the grassroots level;**
- (d) the details of financial assistance allocated for athlete training for international competitions, including the Olympics and whether this support has grown during the last five years, ensuring athletes' readiness for global events;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof;**
- (f) whether the Government has increased the budget for said development during the last five years and such initiatives have fostered a strong sports culture and national achievements; and**
- (g) if so, the details thereof?**

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

**(a) to (g) ‘Sports’ being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including development of sports infrastructure, training of athletes for international competitions, including the Olympics, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) implements the following schemes for the development of sports across the country:**

**(i) Khelo India- National Programme for Development of Sports; (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 Welfare Program for Sportspersons; (vii) National Sports Development Fund; and (viii) Running Sports Training Centres through Sports Authority of India.**

**Details of the above schemes are available in the public domain on the websites of this Ministry (<https://yas.nic.in>) and the Sports Authority of India (<https://sportsauthorityofindia.nic.in>).**

**Funds are allocated scheme-wise and not component-wise in this Ministry. An amount of Rs. 3332.50 crore has been allocated under various sports developmental scheme of Department of Sports, including for sports infrastructure and training programmes in the current financial year.**

**The details of the funds allocated and expenditure incurred by this Ministry under various sports promotional schemes during the last five years are as under:**

**(in Rs. crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Funds allocated</b>	<b>Expenditure incurred</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2000.00</b>	<b>1989.39</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>1313.40</b>	<b>1304.12</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>1993.00</b>	<b>1748.76</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>1907.69</b>	<b>1879.99</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2380.86</b>	<b>2329.35</b>

**Further, the details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred under the Khelo India Scheme during the last five years and the current year are as under:**

(in ₹ crore)

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Funds allocated</b>	<b>Expenditure incurred (as on 28.02.2025)</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>578.00</b>	<b>575.52</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>328.77</b>	<b>338.06</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>869.00</b>	<b>764.29</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>596.39</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>880.00</b>	<b>872.20</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>800.00</b>	<b>738.98</b>

As may be seen from above, the budget of Union Government for development of sports in the country has significantly increased over the last five years. Due to this, India's achievements in international sports have seen significant growth, with increased medal tallies across events such as the Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, and Paralympics. At the Paris 2024 Olympics, India earned six medals, while the Paralympics 2024 brought home a record-breaking 29 medals. Indian athletes have excelled in sports like javelin, shooting, wrestling, and badminton. Initiatives like Khelo India and Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) have been instrumental in nurturing young talent and providing top-notch training facilities. These accomplishments have elevated India's global sports stature, strengthened its bench of athletes, and inspired a culture of excellence among the nation's youth.

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