

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 141
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2025**

Sports Infrastructure in Bhiwani-Mahendragarh Lok Sabha Constituency

141. Shri Dharambir Singh:

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

- (a) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to enhance sports infrastructure in rural districts like Bhiwani, Charkhi Dadri and Mahendragarh;**
- (b) whether Khelo India Centres established in the Bhiwani-Mahendragarh Lok Sabha constituency and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the number of athletes of the said constituency supported under Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) or any other Central Government scheme;**
- (d) the criteria adopted by the Government for opening new SAI training centres in Haryana and whether there is any plan to set up such centres in any of the districts falling under the said constituency;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (f) whether the Government has any specific plans to promote kabaddi, wrestling and other traditional sports in this region and if so, the details thereof?**

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

(a) Sports' being a State subject, the responsibility of development of sports, including development of sports infrastructure across the country, rests primarily with the State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements their efforts by bridging critical gaps. Under the Khelo India Scheme and National Sports Development Fund (NSDF), implemented by this Ministry, various sports infrastructure projects, across

the country, including in the rural areas and Haryana have been sanctioned. The details are available in public domain on the dashboards of the Ministry at <https://mdsd.kheloindia.gov.in> and <http://www.nsdf.yas.gov.in/nsdf-glance.html>.

(b) Yes, Sir. Rajiv Gandhi Khel Parisar Tigrana, Bhiwani and Rajiv Gandhi Khel Parisar Achina, Charki Dadri, have been notified as Khelo India Centres in the Bhiwani-Mahendragarh Lok Sabha constituency.

(c) No athletes of Bhiwani-Mahendragarh constituency are being currently supported under Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). A total of 65 athletes are trained in the 2 KICs notified in the Bhiwani-Mahendragarh Lok Sabha constituency.

(d) and (e) Sports Authority of India (SAI), an autonomous body under the aegis of this Ministry, has undertaken an exercise of restructuring its Sports Promotional Schemes to ensure more focused and effective development of athletes. Given the existing sports infrastructure and financial considerations, the emphasis is currently on strengthening the capabilities of the existing centres to drive excellence in sports.

(f) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports implements the following schemes for the promotion of sports in the country, including to promote kabaddi, wrestling and other traditional sports:

- (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 Sports Welfare Fund;**
- (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 and the Sports Authority of India.
