

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4024
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025**

Upcoming Khelo India University Games

4024. Shri Janardan Singh Sigriwal:

Shri Arun Govil:

Shri Anil Firojiya:

Shri Manoj Tiwari:

Shri Naba Charan Majhi:

Shri Khagen Murmu:

Shri Bibhu Prasad Tarai:

Shri Godam Nagesh:

Shri Alok Sharma:

Shri Yogender Chandolia:

Smt. Kamaljeet Sehrawat:

Shri Damodar Agrawal:

Dr. Manna Lal Rawat:

Ms Kangna Ranaut:

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

(a) the details of the data of the participation of women and tribals in past editions of the Khelo India University Games;

(b) the sports disciplines to be included in the upcoming Khelo India University Games particularly in Mandi Lok Sabha Constituency in Himachal Pradesh and the manner in which this edition plans to build upon the achievements of the 2024 Games;

(c) whether any sports scholarships have been announced in connection with the event, if so, the details of the disbursement of the same along with the scholarship awarded thereof;

(d) the manner in which the said Games are expected to contribute to the strengthening of the under-25 athlete development pathway in the country; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up an international-level sports complex in the North-East Delhi Lok Sabha Constituency for local youth and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

{ DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA }

(a) So far, four editions of the Khelo India University Games (KIUG) have been successfully organized, witnessing the participation of over 14,000 athletes from across the country. Of these, more than 6,800 participants were women, accounting for approximately 47.54% of the total participation, demonstrating significant female representation in university-level sports. Khelo India Games involve participants from all sections of the society. Community-wise data, including participation by tribal communities, is not maintained under the Khelo India Scheme. A detailed breakdown of athlete participation in all KIUGs is at Annexure-I.

(b) The sports disciplines for the upcoming edition of the Khelo India University Games have not been finalised. The forthcoming edition is expected to build upon the achievements of the 2024 Games by further strengthening the competitive structure, expanding athlete participation, and enhancing infrastructure and organizational capabilities to create a more robust sporting ecosystem for university-level athletes.

(c) There is no provision for direct scholarships under the Khelo India Scheme in connection with the Khelo India University Games.

(d) The Khelo India University Games play a vital role in strengthening the under-25 athlete development pathway in the country. By providing a national platform for university athletes to compete, the Games facilitate early identification and nurturing of sports talent. Athletes gain invaluable exposure to high-level competition, contributing to their overall development.

(e) No, Sir.

ANNEXURE – I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4024 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025 REGARDING “UPCOMING KHELO INDIA UNIVERSITY GAMES” ASKED BY SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL, SHRI ARUN GOVIL, SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA, SHRI MANOJ TIWARI, SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI, SHRI KHAGEN MURMU, SHRI BIBHU PRASAD TARAI, SHRI GODAM NAGESH, SHRI ALOK SHARMA, SHRI YOGENDER CHANDOLIA, SMT. KAMALJEET SEHRAWAT, SHRI DAMODAR AGRAWAL, DR. MANNA LAL RAWAT AND MS KANGNA RANAUT, HON’BLE MEMBERS OF LOK SABHA

Athlete participation in Khelo India University Games (KIUG)

S. No.	Games Conducted	Cities/Venues	No. of Male Athletes Participated	No. of Female Athletes Participated	Total No of Athletes Participated
1	KIUG 2020	Cuttack & Bhubaneswar	1626	1540	3166
2	KIUG 2021	Bangalore	2054	1840	3894
3	KIUG 2022	Lucknow, Gorakhpur, Varanasi, GB Nagar, New Delhi	1905	1708	3613
4	KIUG 2023	Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Sikkim, Nagaland, and Tripura	1932	1726	3658
		TOTAL	7517	6814	14331
