

**Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1373
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2026**

Talent Identification and Training under Khelo India

1373. Shri Amarsing Tisso:

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

- (a) the number of athletes from Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao selected under Khelo India during the last five years and the current year;**
- (b) the details of scholarships, training and other financial assistance provided to such athletes during the said period;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to establish any extension of centre of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) in Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao; and**
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to improve sports infrastructure in the Sixth Schedule areas of Assam, particularly in Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao?**

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
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(a) The number of Khelo India Athletes supported under Khelo India Scheme from the State of Assam during the last five years and the current year are as under:

Year	No. of Khelo India Athletes
2026-27	51
2025-26	52
2024-25	40
2023-24	39
2022-23	43

Currently, 68 athletes from Karbi Anglong and 77 athletes from Dima Hasao in the Khelo India Centres are being supported under Khelo India Scheme.

(b) Under the Khelo India Scheme, financial support of ₹6.28 lakh per annum including a monthly Out-of-Pocket Allowance (OPA) of ₹10,000 is provided directly to the athlete to manage personal and incidental expenses. The remaining portion of the annual support covers high-quality coaching, specialized diet, lodging, sports equipment, medical insurance, kitting and sports science support.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration in this Ministry.

(d) ‘Sports’ being a State subject, the responsibility for development of sports, including improvement of sports infrastructure, rests primarily with the respective State/Union Territory Governments. The Union Government supplements these efforts by bridging the critical gaps. However, under the “Creation and upgradation of sports infrastructure” component of the Khelo India Scheme, this Ministry renders financial support for creation of basic sports infrastructure such as sports stadiums, synthetic athletic tracks, synthetic hockey fields, synthetic turf football grounds, multipurpose halls, swimming pools, etc. which also covers establishment of sports stadiums or sports complexes with modern facilities in rural areas. Further, under National Sports Development Funds (NSDF), Government supports various institutions and individuals for creation and upgradation of sports facilities across the country. The details of the sports infrastructure sanctioned under Khelo India Scheme and NSDF, across the country, including in the State of Assam, 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>, respectively.
