

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS)  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-638**  
ANSWERED ON- 02/12/2021

**SPORTS PARTICIPATION IN NORTH EAST REGION**

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

- (a) whether Government intends to boost sports participation in the North Eastern region, considering the success of North eastern sports persons at the 2021 olympics;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of all the schemes that the ministry is currently implementing or is planning to implement in North east India; and
- (d) the State-wise details of the amount of money sanctioned and utilized under the schemes currently being implemented in North east India?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**  
**[SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR]**

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. For boosting sports participation in the country, including the North Eastern Region, this Ministry implements a number of Schemes aimed at broad-basing of sports and promotion of excellence in sports. Under the Khelo India Scheme, 62 sports infrastructure projects of various categories have been sanctioned in the North Eastern Region amounting to ₹ 423.01 crore. Further, the National Sports University has been established in Imphal, Manipur to promote sports education in the fields of sports sciences, sports technology, sports management, and sports coaching. In addition, a North Eastern Regional Centre of Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) is also operational since 2009-10 in Guwahati, Assam.

(c) The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports runs the following schemes for development of sports in the country, including the North Eastern Region:

(i) Khelo India Scheme; (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.

(d) Funds are allocated Scheme-wise, not State-wise. During the last three years, ₹ 4,694.92 crore were allocated and ₹ 4,590.89 crore released under the various sports development schemes of this Ministry.

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