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DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS
(Sports CDN Section)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Circulation of Monthly Summary relating to principal activities and developments in the Department of Sports to the Members of the Council of Ministers.

The undersigned is directed to refer Cabinet Secretariat's OM No. 1/26/1/2018-Cab. dated 17th August, 2018 on above mentioned subject and to enclose (Annexure) the monthly summary pertaining to the Department of Sports for the month of **January, 2021** is hereby circulated for information.

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To

All Members of Council of Ministers

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- (i) All Secretaries to the Govt. of India's Ministries/Departments
- (ii) Director, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi
- (iii) Sr. PPSs to Secretary (Sports) / JS (SP) / JS (Dev.)
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ANNEXURE

MONTHLY SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES/ DEVELOPMENT IN RESPECT OF DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2021.

This is regarding the important issues and developments in respect of the Department of Sports during **January, 2021**.

2. Union Sports Minister launched the Assam Rifles Public School (ARPS) in Shillong as a Khelo India Sports School on 04.01.2021. At present, 9 Sports Schools have been approved across the country with a view to integrate sports with education and in the process, develop sports in the country and improve the overall profile and outlook of athletes. Out of nine schools, five are managed by Defence & Para-military forces and this is the first of its kind in the North-east region. The Government bears the expenses for Talented Sports Students of the school in terms of lodging, boarding, insurance, medical, sports training, salary of coaches/support staffs, equipment, etc.
3. Union Sports Minister inaugurated a 162 bedded air conditioned residential hostel in the premises of the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range on 07.01.2021. This facility has been created at a cost of ₹12.26 crore. With the creation of this hostel facility, it will be a major boost for the Indian shooters training at the facility who have previously been staying at accommodation outside the shooting range.
4. State Bank of India made a contribution of ₹5 crore to National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) on 18.01.2021, with the primary aim of meeting the needs and requirements of elite athletes supported under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). From time to time, leading Private Sector Corporations and Public Sector Undertaking have been urged to come forward to contribute to the National Sports Development Funds (NSDF) as part of their corporate social responsibility, in a bid to strengthen the sports ecosystem of the country, and to be stakeholders in India's journey towards becoming a sports powerhouse.
5. In an effort to honour sporting heroes of the country, the Department of Sports has taken a decision on 17.01.2021 to name all upcoming and upgraded sporting facilities of the Sports Authority of India (SAI), after renowned athletes, who have contributed to sports in India. In the first leg, the newly built air-conditioned wrestling hall and the learners swimming pool in the National Centre of Excellence (NCOE) in Lucknow, the 100-bedded hostel in NCOE Bhopal, the multipurpose hall and Girls' hostel in NCOE Sonapat, as well as the new SAI Training Centre in Guwahati, will be named after local star sportspersons.

6. Union Sports Minister launched on 18.01.2021 the Khelo India State Centre of Excellence (KISCE) at the Shivaji Chhatrapati Sports Complex in Pune. This is the 9th KISCE formally inaugurated so far and the Maharashtra-based sports complex will focus on three Priority Olympic disciplines - Shooting, Athletics and Cycling.

7. Mission Olympic Cell in its meeting held in the 3rd week of the month sanctioned 7th proposal under Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) received from two Olympic-qualified shooters Manu Bhaker and Angad Vir Singh Bajwa to engage the services of sports psychologist Sanjana Kiran to assist them in their preparation for the Tokyo Olympics for better preparation. The total cost of Kiran's engagement with the two shooters, starting from January 2021, is approximately ₹29 lakh.

8. Union Sports Minister concluded the 2nd edition of "Fit India School Week" program on 27.01.2021. To celebrate the "Fit India School Week" program, a live virtual demonstration of the event was given by the students of Kendriya Vidyalaya-2, Naval Base, Kochi who performed Suraya Namaska, free hand exercises, aerobics, dance, and extempore performance online. This program is conducted with the aim to encourage kids to inculcate physical activity and sports in their daily routine as school is the first place where habits are formed.

9. Union Sports Minister launched on 28.01.2021 a breakthrough Reference Material for use in chemical testing in the field of anti-doping synthesized by collaborative efforts of National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL) and National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Guwahati. This Reference Material (RM), has been identified by NDTL as one of the rarely available RMs globally and would be used to strengthen anti-doping measures in all World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)-accredited laboratories.

10. During the month, updated Standard Operation Procedures (SOPs) for opening up of Stadia to organized sports competition and operation of swimming pools under the prevailing pandemic environment has been issued on 30th January 2021 in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs/Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

11. Besides, medals won by Indian athletes in various International Sporting Events during the period are as under :

Events	Medals won		
	Gold	Silver	Bronze
International Competitions	03	02	07