

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS  
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS  
(Sports CDN Section)


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Dated : 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

**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 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 on above mentioned subject and to enclose (Annexure) the monthly summary pertaining to the Department of Sports for the month of **May, 2021** is hereby circulated for information.

  
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**Encl : As above.**

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.)
- iv. Technical Director (NIC) for uploading on the MYAS website (in the section of Department of Sports.

ANNEXURE

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

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

2. **Support to ex-international athletes and coaches amid ongoing Covid-19:** In a bid to ensure that ex-international athletes and coaches have access to medical, financial and logistical support during Covid-19, Department of Sports (DoS), Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and Sports Authority of India (SAI) had joined hands on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 to create a special support cell.

Funds are also be released from the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons (PDUNWFS), wherein financial assistance is also given to sportspersons and their families who are living in dire condition. Under this initiatives, Department of Sports released an amount of Rs 2,50,000 for international Powerlifting coach Joseph James on 18.05.2021 and Rs 2 Lakh to V Tejaswini Bai, who won 2011-Arjuna Award on 21.05.2021.

3. **Participation in sports events by athletes with a free mind and without worry:** Department of Sports approached UK Government through MEA in the month of May, 2021 to allow Ms. Sania Mirza's 2-year-son to accompany her during UK tour. Resultantly, from the keen follow-up, visa was granted and now the player can participate in a series of competitions in the United Kingdom, ahead of the Tokyo Olympics, with a happy mind frame.

4. **Medical and accident insurance to athletes, coaches and support staff:** Keeping in view of the decision taken by Department of Sports to ensure the safety and well-being of all athletes and support staff in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic in India, it was announced on 20.05.2021 that Sports Authority of India (SAI) will extend medical and accident insurance cover to more than 13,000 athletes, coaches and support staff from this year. Under this, the insurance cover of Rs. 5 lakh each will be provided to all national campers, probable national campers, Khelo India athletes and junior campers training at SAI Centre of Excellence. While the health insurance would be for Rs. 5 lakh each, it also include a Rs. 25 lakh cover for accident or death.

5. **143 Khelo India Centres across 7 States in India:** Department of Sports launched another set of 143 Khelo India Centres across 7 States with a total budget estimate of Rs 14.30 Crores on 25.05.2021. These centres will be entrusted with one sports discipline each. The States include Maharashtra, Mizoram, Goa, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Manipur. The Khelo India Centres have been launched by the Sports Ministry in partnership with the State Governments to ensure the availability of grassroot-level sports infrastructure across the country. With the above, at present 360 Centres have been launched.

6. Besides, 14 National Camps were conducted and medals won by Indian athletes/SAI Trainees in various International Sporting Events during the period are as under:

Event	Medals won		
	Gold	Silver	Bronze
International Competitions	03	06	08

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