

Revamped Khelo India Scheme

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Why in News?

The Union Cabinet has approved a revamped Khelo India Scheme along with enhanced Assistance to National Sports Federations (ANSFs) for the period 2026-27 to 2030-31.

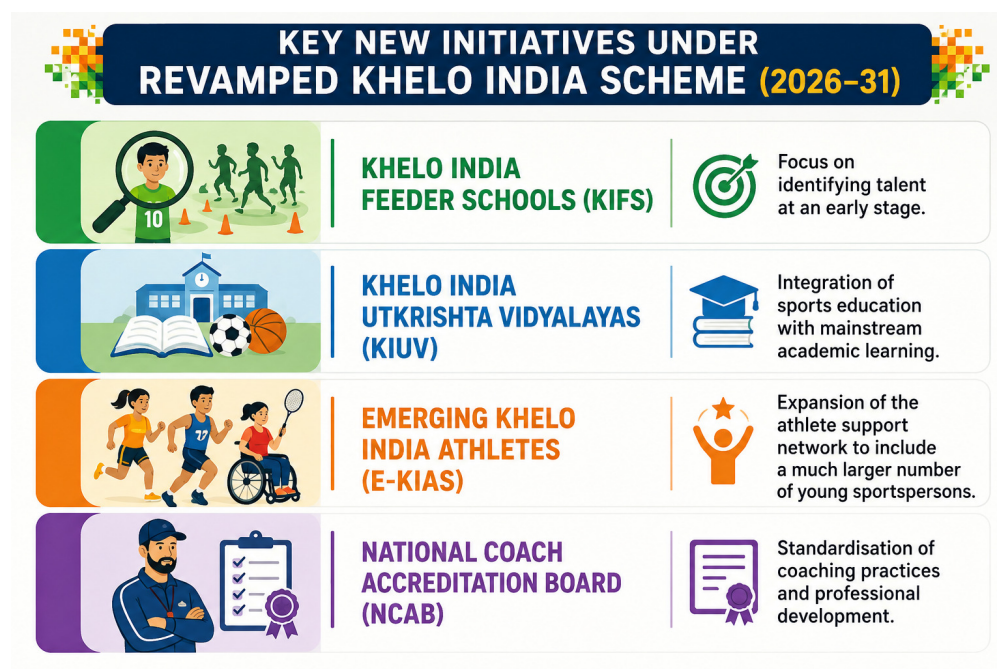
Key highlights

- The financial allocation is nearly **8 times larger** than the previous Khelo India programme.
- The scheme aims to create a continuous pathway for athletes, extending from grassroots-level talent identification to international competitions and Olympic participation.
- It aligns with the **Khelo Bharat Niti 2025 and the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**.
- The initiative supports India's preparations for the **2030 Commonwealth Games** and its aspirations to host future Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Major components of the scheme

Component	Purpose
National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs)	High-performance training
Khelo India Centres of Excellence (KICoEs)	Regional talent development
Sports Authority of India Training Centres (STCs)	Scientific coaching support
Khelo India Accredited Academies (KIAAs)	Advanced training facilities
Khelo India Centres (KICs)	Grassroots development

Newly introduced initiatives



Other important features

- Expansion of the **Fit India Movement**.
- Greater support for **women athletes, para-athletes, and indigenous sports**.
- Creation of a unified digital sports platform integrating athlete data, competitions, infrastructure, coaching resources, and funding mechanisms.
- Increased collaboration with private institutions and corporate partners.
- Strengthening of the **Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)** pathway.

Reference

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