



Khelo India Youth Games 2021

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Why in News

Recently, the government has announced that **Haryana will host the fourth edition of Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG).**

Key Points

- The 2021 Khelo India Youth Games **are scheduled to take place after the 2021 Tokyo Olympics** and will be held in **Panchkula (Haryana).**
- The 2021 Tokyo Olympics are set to open on **23rd July.**
 - In 2020, for the first time, the **Olympics were postponed following the Covid-19 outbreak.**
- **Usually, the KIYG takes place in January** of every year.
- KIYG is a **part of** the revamped national programme for development of sports '**Khelo India**' which was approved by the Union Cabinet in **2017**. The 2020 edition of KIYG was held in Guwahati (Assam).
 - The **Khelo India Scheme** aims to encourage sports all over the country, thus allowing the population to harness the power of sports through its cross-cutting influence, namely holistic development of children & youth, community development, social integration, gender equality, healthy lifestyle, national pride and economic opportunities related to sports development.
 - Under the Scheme, **talented players** identified in **priority sports disciplines** at various levels are provided **annual financial assistance of Rs. 5 lakh per annum for 8 years.**
 - Khelo India App, developed by the **Sports Authority of India (SAI)**, aims to create awareness about sports and fitness in the country.
 - SAI is under the **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.**



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