



Best State Award for Promotion of Sports

Why in News

- On March 19, 2022 Haryana was awarded 'Best State Award for Promotion of Sports'. Haryana received this award after beating Odisha and other states for three consecutive years.

Key Points

- Haryana Sports Minister Sardar Sandeep Singh received the 'Best State Award for Promotion of Sports' on behalf of the state at the annual Sports Awards function organized by the ACES Sports Star Awards Hindu Group.
- Apart from this, the players of Haryana brought laurels to the state by getting awards in eight other categories as well.
- Neeraj Chopra of Haryana was awarded the 'Sport Star of the Year' and 'Best Player in Track and Field' award at the ACES Sports Star Awards ceremony.
- Similarly, 'Best Para Male Sportsperson' to Sumit Antil; Ravi Dahiya named 'Best player in the individual game'; Savita Punia named 'Best player in the team'; The Indian Hockey Team (Men) was awarded the 'Best Movement in the Olympics (Team)' and 'National Team of the Year' and the Indian Hockey Team (Women) with the 'Best Team Award'. It is noteworthy that nine players in the Indian Hockey Team (Women) were from Haryana.
- This year, a jury headed by former Indian cricketer Sunil Gavaskar selected Haryana as the winner of the award for its role in promoting grassroots sports and the Olympic movement.
- The Haryana government has been making continuous efforts to promote sports for years. The skill shown by the players of Haryana in national and international sports competitions and the large number of awards received have proved the significance of the sports policy implemented in the state.

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