

Chief Minister Announces Setting up of Haryana Sports Academy

Why in News?

 On June 13, 2022, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar announced the setting up of a Haryana Sports Academy to train sportspersons coming from all over the country at the closing ceremony of the fourth edition of the Khelo India Youth Games, 2021 in Panchkula.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister said that in order to provide state-of-the-art sports facilities, a hostel with the facility of stay of 200 sportspersons will be opened in Panchkula. Through this, the players will be provided with facilities of international standard and they will also be trained to become skilled in the game.
- The Chief Minister also announced doubling of the prize money being given to medal winning sportspersons from Haryana for their outstanding performance at the Khelo India Youth Games, 2021.
- A sum of Rs 1 lakh will be given to the gold medal winner, Rs 60,000 to the silver medalist and Rs 40,000 to the bronze medalist, while earlier the amount was fixed at Rs 50,000, Rs 30,000 and Rs 20,000 for the gold, silver and bronze medal winners respectively.
- Apart from this, he also announced to give Rs.5000 as incentive to the sportspersons from Haryana participating in the Games.
- Khattar said the state government has created the infrastructure of the game at the ground level.
 A sports calendar has also been prepared for organizing various sports competitions throughout the year in the state.
- 1100 sports nurseries are being opened in the state to develop sports culture among children. This will benefit about 25,000 budding players from the state.

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