

Mission Olympics Cell

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Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports included Baichung Bhutia and Anju Bobby George among seven former athletes in the Mission Olympic Cell recently.



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Mission Olympic Cell:

- MOC is a body set up by the **Sports Authority of India**.
- **Aim:** To select athletes for financial assistance under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS).
- **It focuses on** selection, exclusion and retention of athletes, coaches, training institutes that can receive TOPS assistance.

Functions of MOC:

- **To approve customized programs** for athletes chosen under the TOP Scheme.
- To recommend **financial disbursement** for the customized programs.
- Monitor and review progress of athletes in accordance with the training programs.
- **Take decisions** on sudden and unanticipated requirements/needs of athletes.
- Communicate regularly with the athletes on their progress, requirements and perspectives.
- **Ensure documentation**/contractual obligations of beneficiaries.

What is Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)?

- **TOPS** is a flagship program of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- **Aim:** to provide assistance to India's top athletes.
- **Department of Sports** will identify athletes who are potential medal winners in 2020 / 2024 Olympics.

The infographic features a dark blue header with the title 'Target Olympic Podium Scheme' in white, accompanied by the Olympic rings logo. Below the header, a purple banner reads 'Focus on nine Olympic sports disciplines'. Five circular icons represent different sports: badminton, weightlifting, archery, hockey, and boxing. To the left of the text boxes is a circular inset image of tennis player Novak Djokovic. Three white text boxes provide details: the first mentions India's success in Asian Games and Commonwealth Games; the second lists 'High Priority' sports; the third explains the scheme's goal for junior and sub-junior athletes. The footer includes social media links for 'indiaavsdinfo' and 'indiaavsdinformation' on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube, along with the website 'indiaavsdinformation.com'.

Target Olympic Podium Scheme

Focus on nine Olympic sports disciplines

The focus is on Olympics sports disciplines in which India has won medals in the last conducted Asian Games as well as Commonwealth Games

Disciplines like Athletics, Badminton, Hockey, Shooting, Tennis, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Archery and Boxing have been categorised as 'High Priority'

Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) covers junior and sub-junior athletes also with the objective of producing future champions

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Provision of Assistance:

The selected athletes can seek assistance under the Scheme for the following:

- **Customized training** under reputed coaches at institutes having world-class facilities.
- **Participation** in international competition.
- Purchase of equipment.
- **Services of support staff**, Physical Trainer, Sports Psychologist, Mental Trainer and Physiotherapist etc.
- **An allowance** of Rs. 50,000 per month as an incentive.