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Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports
Mission Directorate – Sports Development

To

Director General, Sports Authority of India.
Principal Secretary / Secretary in charge of sports of States/UTs.
Secretary of Sports Authority / Sports Council of States / UTs.

Subject: Operational Guidelines on “State Level Khelo India Centres” component of Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports Scheme.

Sir / Madam,

The undersigned is directed to state that the Khelo India – National Programme for Development of Sports Scheme has been circulated to all Stakeholders vide this Ministry’s letter No. 29-1/MYAS/MDSD/2017 dated 16th October, 2017.

2. One of the twelve components of the Khelo India Scheme is “State Level Khelo India Centres”. Operational Guidelines in this regard are enclosed for information and appropriate action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

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OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

KHELO INDIA – STATE LEVEL KHELO INDIA CENTRES

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STATE LEVEL KHELO INDIA CENTRES

1. Preface
1.1 With a view to achieving the twin objectives of the national sports policy of broad basing of sports through mass participation and promotion of excellence in sports, the Khelo India National programme for development of sports, revamped recently, aims at strengthening the entire sports ecosystem to promote the twin national objectives of sports development through its verticals.

1.2 Vision:
To infuse sports culture and achieve sporting excellence in the country.

1.3 Mission:
To encourage sports all across the country thus allowing the population to harness the power of sports through its crosscutting influence, namely, holistic development of children & youth, community development, social integration, gender equality, healthy lifestyle, national pride and economic opportunities related to sports development.

1.4 Components of the Scheme:
The Khelo India Scheme includes the following components/objectives:

i. Play Field Development  
ii. Community Coaching Development  
iii. State Level Khelo India Centres  
iv. Annual Sports Competitions  
v. Talent Search and Development  
vi. Utilisation and Creation/ Upgradation of Sports Infrastructure  
vii. Support to National/Regional/State Sports Academies  
viii. Physical Fitness of School going Children  
ix. Sports for Women  
x. Promotion of Sports among persons with disabilities  
xi. Sports for Peace and Development  
xc. Promotion of rural and indigenous/tribal games

The revamped Khelo India Scheme notified vide the Gazette of India dated 14.10.2017 envisages establishment of State Level Khelo India Centres across the country to maximize the utilization of Sports infrastructure set up by the respective State/UT through out the country.
2. Implementation Mechanism:
Under this vertical of Khelo India, it is proposed to support better utilization of sports infrastructure through a suitable Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with eligible agencies and to provide financial support for engagement of coaches and support staff, day boarding/residential facilities, regular maintenance of play fields, sports equipment (consumable & non-consumable), Sports Science back up, stipend to trainees etc. for nurturing of talents through usage of existing sports facilities available with these agencies.

2.1 Implementing Agencies:
This vertical will be implemented through SAI which will enter into an MoU with suitable eligible agencies to finalize the details of operational and financial arrangements.

3. Components to be implemented:
The State Level Khelo India Centre Scheme will be implemented at different levels to ensure better utilization of sports infrastructure throughout the country. These centres may be created at State, District & Block level through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between SAI and suitable eligible agencies as detailed above. The existing and new Extension centres of SAI STC/SAG Schemes can be funded under this vertical of Khelo India Scheme. State Level Khelo India Centres will be established in the following three categories:

3.1 Mega Centre: The sports infrastructure available with the Central/State UTs/ Govts., its agencies or other eligible agencies may be considered for establishing these centres at the State level in State Sports Complex or any other suitable available infrastructure. Apart from this, funding will also be provided to set up Centres, mainly in schools and colleges, which may be modelled on SAI Extension Centre Scheme so far as possible. The Mega centre would be eligible to receive annual recurring grant upto Rs.3.00 crore for a period of three years.

3.2 Medium Centre: The sports infrastructure available with the Central/State UTs/ Govts., its agencies or other eligible agencies may be considered for establishing these centres at the District level in District Sports Complex or other suitable available infrastructure will be considered for establishing these centres. Apart from this, funding will also be provided to set up such Centres, mainly in schools and colleges, which may be modelled on SAI Extension Centre Scheme so far as possible. The Medium centres would be
eligible to receive annual recurring grant up to Rs.1.50 Crore for a period of three years.

3.3 Small Centre: The sports infrastructure available with the Central/State U.I.'s/ Govts., its agencies or other eligible agencies may be considered for establishing these centres at the block level in Blocks Sports Complex or other suitable available infrastructure will be considered for establishing these centres. Apart from this, funding will also be provided to set up Extension Centres, mainly in schools and colleges, which would be modelled so far as possible on SAI Extension Centre Scheme. The Small centres would be eligible for receiving annual recurring grant up to Rs.0.75 crore for a period of three years.

4. Items of Expenditure:
Each of these State Level Khelo India Centres will be provided an annual grant for the purpose of engagement of coaches/part-time coaches, expenditure on equipment, proper field of play, consumables, day boarding/ Residential facilities, physiotherapists, beneficiary support, repair & maintenance etc. The items of expenditure are indicative in nature. The recurring grant will be provided to meet the expenditure as per the norms fixed by an apex committee duly constituted by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports under the Chairmanship of Secretary(Sports). The admissibility of items for expenditure will also be decided by this committee which can include or exclude an item based on merit of the case. The existing and fresh Extension centres of SAI STC/SAG Schemes will be funded under this vertical of Khelo India Scheme based on the approved financial norms. The requirement of creation/ upgradation of sports infrastructure in the selected centres will be met by dovetailing the other vertical including that of “Utilization and Creation/ Up gradation of Sports Infrastructure” of the Khelo India Scheme.

5. Approval mechanism and release of funds:
The eligible agencies shall submit their proposals in the form of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for setting up of State Level Khelo India Centre as Mega Centre, Medium Centre and Small Centre respectively. Sports Authority of India for consideration against the Expression of Interest issued by SAI for the purpose. The proposal will be considered by SAI for scrutiny. All the eligible proposal will be placed before an Apex Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Secretary(Sports) for approval. Once approved, SAI may release funds as per the approved norms and powers delegated in SAI.
6. **Funding:**
The annual indicative budgetary provision of Rs.35.00 crore (2017-18) Rs.50.00 crore (2018-19) and Rs.75.00 crore (2019-20) will be utilized to meet the establishment of Khelo India Centres. The funds will be released to SAI for the purpose based on the requirement and utilization of funds already released. Subsequent installments will only be released once utilization certificate along with audited account of statements are provided by SAI to the Ministry.

7. **Sports Discipline to be covered:**
To be decided by a duly constituted committee of Sports Authority of India (SAI) for this vertical which will be approved by the Apex Committee.

8. **Number of sports person to be admitted:**
At least 20 talented sports persons (boys and girls) to be admitted as per the Selection Criteria devised by SAI. The retention and weeding out norms will be devised by SAI for the purpose.

9. **Monitoring:**
As substantial government investments are involved it is essential that suitable monitoring mechanism may be put in place. A monitoring committee is to be constituted by SAI to ensure smooth implementation of the projects. A monthly report on the progress and functioning of the project may be provided to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports in a suitably devised format by SAI.

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