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Andaman & Nicobar Administration

खेल एवं युवा कार्य निदेशालय

Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs

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Sri Vijaya Puram dated- 2nd Noveber , 2026

To

1. The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegrams, Port Blair.
2. The Editor, News Wing, AIR, Port Blair.
3. The Editor, News Wing, DDK, Port Blair.

Sir/Madam

I am request to kindly Publish/ Broadcast/ Telecast the following news item on 3rd November, 2026 for information of all the eligible athletes.

NEWS ITEM

KHELO INDIA YOUTH GAMES (KIYG) 2026
INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR WILD CARD ENTRIES

The Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, is inviting applications from interested and eligible **Boys and Girls below 18 years of age (U-18)** for consideration of Wild Card Entries to represent the Andaman & Nicobar Islands in the **Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2026**, scheduled to be held from **11th to 22nd December 2026 in Telangana**, in the following sports disciplines.

1. Archery	**2.Athletics**	**3.Badminton**	**4.Boxing**	**5. Cycling**
6.Gymnastics	**7.Judo**	**8.Shooting**	**9.Swimming**	**10. Table Tennis**
11. Tennis	**12. Thang-Ta**	**13. Weightlifting**	**14. Wrestling**	**15. Yogasana**

As per the official communication received from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports(MYAS), GoI, the athletes selection for representing a State/UT shall be based on the performances in the recognized International/National/State/District level competitions held during the years 2023 / 2024 / 2025.

It may be noted that, as per the prescribed procedure for KIYG 2026, out of the applications received by this Directorate, the best two (02) Boys and two (02) Girls will be placed before the Wild Card Evaluation Committee (WCEC), KIYG 2026. The names of the athletes recommended by the WCEC will thereafter be nominated for participation in the Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2026, scheduled to be held in Telangana from 11th to 22nd December, 2026. Accordingly, the same will be duly communicated/published through print and electronic media for the information of all eligible athletes.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. The age eligibility for participation in KIYG 2026 is, "*athlete born on or after 1st January 2009*" (U-18).
2. For athlete age verification, any two of the following documents must be submitted:
   a) Aadhaar Card or Passport **b)** Matriculate Certificate
   c) Birth Certificate (issued at least 5 years ago i.e., on or before 01 January 2021 by Municipal Corporation/ Gram Panchayat)
3. To be eligible to represent a State, one of the following documents is required:
   a) State Domicile **b)** Passport **c)** Place of Posting/Working / School Bonafide

Interested and eligible athletes may submit their applications to the Assistant Supervisor (Sports) of the concerned Zone on or before **10th November, 2026**. The applications shall be duly filled in the prescribed format (Annexure-A), signed by the applicant, and enclosed with self-attested copies their sports achievements in recognized International/National/State/UT/District-level tournaments /competitions during the years **2023, 2024 and 2025**, along with self-attested copies of all relevant documents in support of candidature as per the prescribed eligibility criteria.

The prescribed application format (Annexure-A) is available on the Sports Department Portal: https://sports.andamannicobar.gov.in and the A&N-UT Portal: https://andamannicobar.gov.in.

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Asst. Director (Sports)

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Copy to:

1. PS to the Director (Sports/Edn) for kind information of the Director (Sports/Education) please
2. The Executive Officer, **SOVTECH** with a request to upload the attached detailed notification/notification on the Portals of the State/UT and Sports Department, A & N Administration please.
3. All the Zonal Officers, EO Car Nicobar/the DEOs Diglipur/Mayabunder/Rangat Wimberlygunj/South Andaman//the AEO Nancowrie/the Principal PM SHRI GSSS Campbell Bay/ the Principal GMSSS Hutbay/ the Principal GSSS Swaraj Dweep/the Principal GSSS Shaheed Dweep, for kind information and necessary action please.
4. All the Asst. Supervisors(Sports) of Diglipur/Mayabunder/Rangat/Campbell Bay /Nancowrie /Car Nicobar/Little Andaman/ Wimberlygunj and South Andaman, for kind information and necessary action please.

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Asst. Director (Sports)

ANNEXURE- A

KHELO INDIA YOUTH GAMES- 2026

APPLICATION FOR WILD CARD ENTRY

1. Name of State/UT: _____
2. NSRS ID: _____
3. Category (Boy/Girl): _____
4. Name of Sport and Event: _____
5. Name of the Athlete: _____
6. Email ID: _____
7. Contact Number: _____
8. Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): _____
9. Father's Name: _____
10. Permanent Address: _____
11. Achievements of the year- 2023, 2024 & 2025

a)

b)

c)

d)

Signature of the Applicants

Name:

Contact Number:

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File No.:01-28003(01)/34/2026-HO - Events and Competition **Date: 30. 10.2026**

To,

Chef De Mission KIYG 2026
(State/UT of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Sikkim, Tripura, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Nagaland, Puducherry, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Meghalaya and Ladakh)

Sub: Wild Card Entry - Khelo India Youth Games 2026

Sir/ Ma'am,

This has reference to the Khelo India Youth Games 2026 scheduled to be held from 11th to 22nd Dec 2026 in Telangana across 28 sports disciplines.

2. As per the participation format of Khelo India Youth Games, wild card entries are provided to States/ UTs to facilitate the participation of athletes from States/UTs with relatively lower representation in the Games. For KIYG 2026, the wild card entries have been allotted to States/ UTs whose participation was less than or equal to 50 (Fifty) athletes in the previous edition (KIYG 2025). The list of eligible States/ UTs is enclosed at **Annexure A.**

3. The wild card entries are being provided across the following individual sports. The details of the events and the corresponding wild card quota for each event are enclosed at **Annexure B**.

S. No.	Sport	S. No.	Sport
1	Archery	9	Swimming
2	Athletics	10	Table Tennis
3	Badminton	11	Tennis
4	Boxing	12	Thang-Ta
5	Cycling	13	Weightlifting
6	Gymnastics	14	Wrestling
7	Judo	15	Yogasana
8	Shooting		

4. Further, the norms for the nomination under wild card entries are as follows;

Eligibility Criteria

- The age eligibility for participation in KIYG 2026 is, *"athlete born on or after 1st January 2009 (U-18)".*
- For athlete age verification, any two of the following documents must be submitted:
  a) Aadhaar Card or Passport
  b) Matriculate Certificate
  c) Birth Certificate (issued at least 5 years ago i.e., on or before 01 January 2021 by Municipal Corporation/ Gram Panchayat)
- To be eligible to represent a State, one of the following documents is required:
  a) State Domicile

b) Passport
c) Place of Posting/Working / School Bonafide

- The list of participants representing the eligible States/UTs shall be drawn on the basis of performances in the International/ National/ State/ District level tournaments (held in 2023/ 2024/ 2025).

Evaluation norms

- State/UT with less than or equal to 50 (fifty) participating athletes in the previous edition of the Games shall be considered for participation under the wild card quota
- Priority in participation will be accorded to the State/UT with the lesser number of participations in the previous edition of the Games.
- Under the Wild Card Quota, no State/UT shall ordinarily be allotted more than one slot. However, a State/UT may be allotted more than one slot for the same event if no nominations are received from other States/UTs for that event.
- In case an eligible State/UT has representation on merit in the particular event, the State/UT shall not be allotted a slot under the wild card quota.

5. In view of the above, it is requested that the eligible States/UTs may kindly identify and nominate the **best 2 Boys and 2 Girls** athletes for the respective sports and events in accordance with the prescribed eligibility criteria and participation norms directly on the NSRS portal (**Requirement is placed at Annexure C**). The nominations may be based on the athletes' performances in recognised International/National/State/District-level competitions, as applicable, and submitted through the prescribed process within the stipulated timeline, along with the requisite supporting documents for age and State/UT representation verification. The respective States/UTs are requested to apply directly on the Khelo India Portal by **15 Nov 2026.** ***The credentials for the same have already been shared with States/UTs.***

6. It may be noted that the entries received from the eligible States/UTs will be placed before the Wild Card Evaluation Committee, which is entrusted with the responsibility to examine the proposals. The names recommended by the committee will then be communicated to the concerned State/ UT for the final nomination on the Khelo India portal for participation in KIYG 2026.

7. It is further requested that the concerned Chef de Mission may ensure that the nominations are complete in all respects and comply with the prescribed guidelines to facilitate timely scrutiny and processing of wild card entries for KIYG 2026.

Yours Sincerely,

Gunupuru Madhu Harsha
Assistant Director, Khelo India-1

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Annexure A

List of eligible States/UTs	
S. No.	**State /UT**
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands
2.	Lakshadweep
3.	Sikkim
4.	Tripura
S.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu
6.	Nagaland
7.	Puducherry
8.	Arunachal Pradesh
9.	Mizoram
10.	Meghalaya
11.	Ladakh

Annexure B

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	Archery	Boys	Recurve Individual	2
2		Boys	Compound Individual	2
3		Girls	Recurve Individual	2
4		Girls	Compound Individual	2
Total				**8**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	Athletics	Boys	100 Mtr Run	2
2		Boys	200 Mtr Run	2
3		Boys	400 Mtr Run	2
4		Boys	1000 Mtr Run	2
5		Boys	110 Mtr Hurdle(.914m)	2
6		Boys	Long Jump	2
7		Boys	High jump	2
8		Boys	Pole Vault	2
9		Boys	Shot Put (5 Kg)	2
10		Boys	Discus throw (1.5 Kg)	2
11		Boys	700 Gms Javelin Throw	2
12		Boys	5 KG Hammer Throw	2
13		Boys	5 Km Race Walk	2
14		Boys	Heptathlon (110mH, High Jump, Shot Put, 200m, Long Jump, Javelin Throw, 1000m)	2
15		Girls	100 Mtr Run	2
16		Girls	200 Mtr Run	2
17		Girls	400 Mtr Run	2
18		Girls	1000 Mtr Run	2
19		Girls	100 Mtr Hurdle (.762 m)	2
20		Girls	Long Jump	2
21		Girls	High jump	2
22		Girls	Shot Put (3 Kg)	2
23		Girls	Discus throw (1 Kg)	2
24		Girls	500 Gms Javelin Throw	2
25		Girls	Pole Vault	2
26		Girls	3 Kg Hammer Throw	2
27		Girls	3 Km Race Walk	2
28		Girls	Heptathlon (110mH, High Jump, Shot Put, 200m, Long Jump, Javelin Throw, 1000m)	2
Total				**56**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	Badminton	Boys	Boys Singles	2
2		Girls	Girls Singles	2
Total				**4**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	Boxing	Boys	47 Kg - 50 Kg	2
2		Boys	50 Kg - 55 Kg	2
3		Boys	55 Kg - 60 Kg	2
4		Boys	60 Kg - 65 Kg	2
5		Boys	65 Kg - 70 Kg	2
6		Boys	70 Kg - 75 Kg	2
7		Boys	75 Kg - 80 Kg	2
8		Boys	80 Kg - 85 Kg	2
9		Boys	85 Kg - 90 Kg	2
10		Boys	Plus 90 Kg	2
11		Girls	45 Kg - 48 Kg	2
12		Girls	48 Kg - 51 Kg	2
13		Girls	51 Kg - 54 Kg	2
14		Girls	54 kg - 57 Kg	2
15		Girls	57 kg - 60 Kg	2
16		Girls	60 Kg - 65 Kg	2
17		Girls	65 Kg - 70 Kg	2
18		Girls	70 Kg - 75 Kg	2
19		Girls	75 Kg - 80 Kg	2
20		Girls	Plus 80 Kg	2
Total				**40**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	Cycling (Track)	Boys	Team Sprint	1 Team
2		Boys	Keirin Race	
3		Boys	1000m Time Trial	
4		Boys	Sprint	
5		Boys	Individual Pursuit	2
6		Boys	Scratch Race	
7		Girls	Team Sprint	1 Team
8		Girls	Keirin Race	
9		Girls	500m Time Trial	
10		Girls	Sprint	
11		Girls	Individual Pursuit	2
12		Girls	Scratch Race	
13		Boys	Individual Time Trial	2

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
14	Cycling (Road)	Boys	Road Race Mass Start	3
15		Girls	Individual Time Trial	2
16		Girls	Road Race Mass Start	3
Total				**16**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
	Gymnastics		**Artistic Gymnastics**	
1		Boys	Individual All Around	2
			Individual Apparatus	
2		Boys	Floor	2
3		Boys	Pommel	2
4		Boys	Rings	2
5		Boys	Table Vault	2
6		Boys	Parallel Bars	2
7		Boys	Horizontal Bars	2
			Artistic Gymnastics	
8		Girls	Individual All Around	2
			Individual Apparatus	
9		Girls	Table Vault	2
10		Girls	Uneven Bars	2
11		Girls	Beam	2
12		Girls	Floor	2
			Rhythmic Gymnastics	
13		Girls	Individual All Around	2
			Individual Apparatus	
14		Girls	.Hoop	1
15		Girls	.Ball	1
16		Girls	.Clubs	1
17		Girls	.Ribbon	1
Total				**30**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
1	Judo	Boys	Below - 50 Kg	2
2		Boys	- 55 Kg	2
3		Boys	- 60 Kg	2
4		Boys	- 66 Kg	2
5		Boys	- 73 Kg	2
6		Boys	- 81 Kg	2
7		Boys	- 90 Kg	2
8		Boys	Plus 90 Kg	2
9		Girls	Below - 40 Kg	2

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
10		Girls	- 44 Kg	2
11		Girls	- 48 Kg	2
12		Girls	- 52 Kg	2
13		Girls	- 57 Kg	2
14		Girls	- 63 Kg	2
15		Girls	- 70 Kg	2
16		Girls	Plus 70 Kg	2
Total				**32**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
1	**Shooting**	Boys	10m Rifle	2
2		Boys	10m Pistol	2
3		Boys	50m Rifle 3P	2
4		Boys	25m Rapid Fire Pistol	2
5		Boys	Trap	2
6		Boys	Skeet	2
7		Girls	10m Rifle	2
8		Girls	10m Pistol	2
9		Girls	50m Rifle 3P	2
10		Girls	25m Pistol	2
11		Girls	Trap	2
12		Girls	Skeet	2
Total				**24**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
1	**Swimming**	Boys	50 m Free-Style	2
2		Boys	100 m Free-Style	2
3		Boys	200 m Free-Style	2
4		Boys	400 m Free-Style	2
5		Boys	800 m Free-Style	2
6		Boys	1500 m Free-Style	2
7		Boys	50 m Back Stroke	2
8		Boys	100 m Back Stroke	2
9		Boys	200 m Back Stroke	2
10		Boys	50 m Butterfly	2
11		Boys	100 m Butterfly	2
12		Boys	200 m Butterfly	2
13		Boys	50 m Breast Stroke	2
14		Boys	100 m Breast Stroke	2
15		Boys	200 m Breast Stroke	2
16		Boys	200 m Individual Medley	2

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
17		Boys	400 m Individual Medley	2
20		Girls	50 m Free-Style	2
21		Girls	100 m Free-Style	2
22		Girls	200 m Free-Style	2
23		Girls	400 m Free-Style	2
24		Girls	800 m Free-Style	2
25		Girls	1500 mtr Free-Style	2
26		Girls	50 m Back Stroke	2
27		Girls	100 m Back Stroke	2
28		Girls	200 m Back Stroke	2
29		Girls	50 m Butterfly	2
30		Girls	100 m Butterfly	2
31		Girls	200 m Butterfly	2
32		Girls	50 m Breast Stroke	2
33		Girls	100 m Breast Stroke	2
34		Girls	200 m Breast Stroke	2
35		Girls	200 m Individual Medley	2
36		Girls	400 m Individual Medley	2
Total				**68**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	**Table Tennis**	Boys	Boys Singles	2
2		Girls	Girls Singles	2
Total				**4**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	**Tennis**	Boys	Boys Singles	2
3		Girls	Girls Singles	2
Total				**4**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
	Thang Ta	Boys	Phunaba Ama	
1		Boys	-56 KG	2
2		Boys	-60 KG	2
		Boys	Phunaba Anishuba	
3		Boys	-56 KG	2
4		Boys	-60 KG	2
		Girls	Phunaba Ama	
5		Girls	-56 KG	2
6		Girls	-52 KG	2
		Girls	Phunaba Anishuba	

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
7		Girls	-56 KG	2
8		Girls	-52 KG	2
Total				**16**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
1	**Weightlifting**	Boys	55 Kg	1
2		Boys	60 Kg	1
3		Boys	65 Kg	1
4		Boys	70 Kg	1
5		Boys	75 Kg	1
6		Boys	85 Kg	1
7		Boys	95 Kg	1
8		Boys	Plus 95 Kg	1
9		Girls	45 Kg	1
10		Girls	49 Kg	1
11		Girls	53 Kg	1
12		Girls	57 Kg	1
13		Girls	61 Kg	1
14		Girls	69 Kg	1
15		Girls	77 Kg	1
16		Girls	Plus 77 Kg	1
Total				**16**
S. No.	**Sport**	**Gender**	**Event Name**	**Wild Card Quota**
	Wrestling		Freestyle	
1		Boys	51 Kg	2
2		Boys	55 Kg	2
3		Boys	60 Kg	2
4		Boys	65 Kg	2
5		Boys	71 Kg	2
6		Boys	80 Kg	2
7		Boys	92 Kg	2
			Greco-Roman	
8		Boys	51 Kg	2
9		Boys	55 Kg	2
10		Boys	60 Kg	2
11		Boys	65 Kg	2
12		Boys	71 Kg	2
13		Boys	80 Kg	2
14		Boys	92 Kg	2
			Freestyle	

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
15		Girls	46 Kg	2
16		Girls	49 Kg	2
17		Girls	53 Kg	2
18		Girls	57 Kg	2
19		Girls	61 Kg	2
20		Girls	65 Kg	2
21		Girls	69 Kg	2
Total				**42**

S. No.	Sport	Gender	Event Name	Wild Card Quota
1	**Yogasana**	Boys	Traditional Yogasana	2
2		Boys	Artistic Yogasana (Single)	2
5		Girls	Traditional Yogasana	2
6		Girls	Artistic Yogasana (Single)	2
Total				**8**

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Annexure C

WILD CARD ENTRY NOMINATION FORM

TO BE FILLED DIRECTLY ON THE NSRS PORTAL

1. Name of State/UT: _____

2. NSRS ID: _____

3. Category (Boy/Girl): _____

4. Name of Sport and Event: _____

5. Name of the Athlete: _____

6. Email ID: _____

7. Contact Number: _____

8. Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): _____

9. Father's Name: _____

10. Permanent Address: _____

11. Achievements of the year 2023, 2024, and 2025 (mandatory to attach document on the NSRS portal).