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## Fit India Quiz, a step towards strengthening the Fit India Movement: Sports Secretary

**February 11:** The Fit India Quiz - India's first school fitness and sports quiz, was launched in September 2021, in line with the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi to make fitness and sports a way of life among youngsters and to create awareness about India's rich sporting history. Launched by Honourable Union Minister of Sports Shri. Anurag Singh Thakur, the nationwide quiz is now into the State Rounds. The first of its kind quiz on fitness and sports saw a total participation of 36,299 students from 13,502 schools across the country in the preliminary rounds that ended on January 25th.

Speaking about the quiz Smt Chaturvedi said, "The Key Objective of this quiz is to propagate the message of Fit India Movement among the school children and to create awareness among students about India's rich sporting history."

The Fit India Quiz is part of the central government's 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' initiative to celebrate 75 years of India's Independence and aims to provide a national platform for students to showcase their knowledge about fitness and sports.

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports Shri Anurag Thakur, along with Hon'ble Minister of Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Hon'ble Minister of State of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Nisith Pramanik, launched India's first Fit India Quiz from Delhi's iconic Dhyan Chand Stadium where they were virtually connected with Tokyo Olympics medallists Neeraj Chopra and P V Sindhu along with few school students who took part in an impromptu Quiz to launch the initiative.

The Quiz has prize money of Rs 3.25 crores which will be given out to winning schools and students at various phases of the quiz. A total of 36,299 students from 13,502 schools participated in the Prelims of the Quiz and it saw an equal participation from boys as well as girls. The main aim of the quiz is to create awareness among students about India's rich sporting history and to also tell them more about India's centuries-old indigenous sports and our national and regional sporting heroes.



"I am happy to learn about the massive participation in the Quiz from so many students across the country and this only gives us more hope to get closer to the Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of seeing India as a big sporting nation. The National Round of the Fit India Quiz will also be telecast on Star Sports and thus can be watched by everyone in the country," Smt Sujata Chaturvedi added.

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