

Press Release

Khelo India Para Games logo and mascot to be launched tomorrow

<u>New Delhi, 25th November, 2023</u>: The mascot and logo for the first-ever Khelo India Para Games will be launched in New Delhi on Sunday, 26th November at the Zoravar Auditorium, Maneckshaw Centre. The event will be attended by Chief Guest Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Hon'ble Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports and Information and Broadcasting, Govt of India. The event will also be attended by Shri Nitish Pramanik, Hon'ble Minister of State, Home Affairs and Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt of India.

The event will also be attended by an array of sporting icons including wrestlers Yogeshwar Dutt, Sarita Mor, Boxer Akhil Kumar and former India hockey captain Rani Rampal. Renowned Coach for shooting, Samresh Jung will also be in attendance while para-powerlifter Ashok, parashooter Avani Lekhra, para-badminton star Pramod Bhagat, para-Javelin Sumit Antil, para-TT player Bhavina Patel among others will also be present.

The first-ever Khelo India Para Games is scheduled to be held from 10th December to 17th December 2023. Over 1400 participants from across 32 states and union territories including Services Sports Control Board are expected to participate in the maiden Khelo India Para Games which will witness para athletes vie for honours in 7 disciplines including para athletics, para shooting, para archery, para football, para badminton, para table tennis and para weight lifting. The events will be held across 3 SAI stadiums – the IG Stadium, Shooting Range in Tughlaqabad and the JLN Stadium.