



Sports and Youth Services Department Government of Odisha

DSYS: 237 athletes honored with cash awards for their outstandingly performance in Sports

- **Improved infrastructure and awards will help advance state sports: Sports Minister**

Bhubaneswar, 17 December 2021 – In recognition of the outstanding performance of athletes at the national and international level, Sports and Youth Services Department, today, honored 237 athletes from across the state. Minister for Sports and Youth Services, Tusharkanti Behera, felicitated the athletes with cash prizes in the presence of Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Sports and Youth Services Department, R.Vineel Krishna and officials of the State Sports Department.

A total of Rs 1 Cr 8 lakh and 83 thousand was awarded across various sports disciplines. Out of a total of 237 athletes awarded cash prizes, 172 were in the general category, while 65 were in the PWD categories.

Congratulating the athletes present and those joined virtually, Sports Minister, said, “Under the leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik, the Government of Odisha has come up with a number of schemes for the betterment of sports and sportspersons. We have been able to build infrastructure for players to excel in their respective events. We have built 11 HPCs in the state for the high performance of the players. Yesterday, the Hon'ble Chief Minister visited Kalinga Stadium and laid the foundation stone of 89 indoor stadiums and inaugurated a number of major sports projects.”

The cash award is in recognition of your hard-work and outstanding achievement. You all are role models for the younger generation of sports and I wish you greater laurels in your sporting journey ahead, he added.

The annual cash award scheme of the Sports Department is aimed at encouraging and motivating the players and inspiring them for higher achievements.

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Cash Award-2021

Sl . No.	Name of the players	Discipline	Amount	Achievements
1	Sabita Toppo	Athletics	Rs.40,000/-	35 th National Junior Athletic Championship-Gold
2	Dhanmati Xess	Athletics	Rs.44,000/-	35 th National Junior Athletic Championship –Silver
3	Yashita Rout	Chess	Rs. 72,000/-	Silver8 th National Chess championship-Gold
4	Sasmita Nath Shrama	Khokho	Rs.62,500/-	13 th South Asian Games Gold
5	Dumuni Marandi	Rugby	Rs. 1,12,000/-	All India Women Rugby Championship-Gold
6	Sumitra Nayak	Rugby	Rs.1,24,000/-	All India Interuniversity Rugby Championship-Gold
7	Rakhal sethy	Para Wheel chair fening	Rs.1,55,000/-	13 th National Wheel chair Championship -Gold
8	V.Ramesh.Rao	Para Wheel chair fening	Rs.1,10,000/-	13 th National Wheel chair Championship -Gold
9	Sheela Mantri	Para Wheel chair fening	Rs.2,05,000/-	12 th National Wheel chair Championship -Gold
10	Jabamani Tudu	Football	Rs.50,000/-	13 th South Asian Games-Gold
11	Malati Panure	Para Wheel chair fening	Rs.2,90,000/-	1.13 th National Wheel chair Championship –Gold 2.13 th National Wheel chair Championship –Gold
12	Fulamani Palaya	Archery	Rs.1,66,000/-	1.64 th National School Archery – Gold. 2.64 th national School Archery - Gold
13	Tapan Mohanty	Gymnastic	Rs.67,000/-	55 th Junior Artistic Gymnastics National Championship-Gold
14	Sanjukta Dundung	Rowing	Rs.1,35,000/-	1.22 nd Open Sprint National Rowing Championship- Gold 2.4 th Indoor National Rowing Championship- Gold
15	Fulamani Xaxa	Kaykng	Rs.52,000/-	1.30 th National JR Kayaking & Canoeing Championship (K2 1000 MTR)-Gold 2.30 th National JR Kayaking & Canoeing Championship (K2 500 MTR)-Gold