



## Chhattisgarh's Blind Athlete Ishwari qualifies for Asian Para Athletics

### Why in News?

According to the information received from Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on August 3, 2023, Kumari Ishwari Nishad has qualified for the Asian Para Athletics Games to be held in Hangzhou, China from October 22.

### Key Points:

- Ishwari Nishad is the first blind athlete from Chhattisgarh to have won gold medals in consecutive National and International Para Athletics Championships. Seeing the sports talent of Ishwari Nishad, the Chhattisgarh government has also honoured her with state-level honour.
- It is known that Ishwari Nishad participated in the final selection Para Athletics Asian Games Trial held on July 25 and 26, 2023 at Nehru Stadium, New Delhi. She stood 1st in India and 5th in Asian rank in the 200m race. Also, she finished second in the 400 meters race and stood seventh in the Asian rankings.
- Miss Ishwari Fortune has been an alumna of the Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Karmapatpar (Baghbahra). During this time she started participating in Para athletics games.

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