



# Manu Bhaker Wins Olympic Bronze

## Why in News?

Recently, **Manu Bhaker** who hails from **Jhajjar, Haryana** won a **bronze medal** in the **women's 10m air pistol event** and **bronze at 10m mixed team pistol event** at the [Paris 2024 Olympics](#).

- She is the first Indian female shooter to win an Olympic medal.



## Key Points

- **Medal in 10m air pistol event** is the **first medal for India at the Paris 2024 Olympics** and the **first Olympic medal in shooting** for India since the London 2012 Games.
  - She also **won bronze at 10m mixed team pistol event** along with **Sarabjot Singh**.
- She is the **fifth Indian shooter to win an Olympic medal**, following **Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore (2004 Athens)**, **Abhinav Bindra (2008 Beijing)**, **Vijay Kumar (2012 London)**, and **Gagan Narang (2012 London)**.
- Manu has also won medals at [Asian Games \(2022\)](#), **World Championship, Baku (2023)**, **Asian Shooting Championship, Changwon (2023)**, **World Cup, Bhopal (2023)**, **World Championship, Cairo (2022)**, **World University Games, Chengdu (2021)** sports events.

## Olympics

▪ **About:**

- The **Olympics are an international sporting event that takes place every four years.**
  - The goals of the Olympics are to **cultivate human beings through sport and contribute to world peace.**
- The Olympics include: **Summer Games, Winter Games, Youth Olympics Games.**

▪ **History and Origin:**

- Olympics trace their roots back around **3,000 years to Ancient Greece's Peloponnese region.**
- While the precise starting date remains uncertain, **776 BC is a commonly mentioned year in historical records.**
  - The first modern Olympics were held in **Athens, Greece in 1896** based on the **plan of Pierre de Coubertin.**

▪ **Olympic Rings:**

- The Olympic symbol consists of **five interlocking rings of different colors (blue, yellow, black, green, and red)** on a white background.
- These rings represent the **five continents of the world** and symbolize the **unity and diversity of nations through sports.**

