

Bihar to Host Khelo India Youth Games & Para Games in 2025 | Bihar | 22 Nov 2024

Why in News?

Bihar will host the Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) and Khelo India Para Games (KIPG) in 2025.

Key Points

- Khelo India Youth Games:
 - About:
 - KIYG is a **national-level, multi-disciplinary sports competition** for school and college students in India.
 - The games are held annually in January or February and are part of the government's <u>Khelo India initiative</u>.
 - It aims to promote sports culture and identify sporting talent at the grassroots level.
 - The previous 5 editions of the Youth Games have been held in **Delhi, Pune**,
 - Guwahati, Panchkula and Bhopal.
 - Format:
 - It is held in two categories, namely under-17-year-old school students and under-21 college students.
 - It operates in a team championship format, wherein the medals earned by individual athletes or teams contribute to the overall medal tally of their respective state or Union Territory (UT).
 - Upon the event's conclusion, the state or UT securing the highest count of gold medals is declared the winner.
- Khelo India Para Games:
 - The Khelo India Para Games (KIPG) is **aimed at empowering para athletes in India.**
 - It is organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Sports Authority of India, and other bodies.
 - It is part of the broader Khelo India Initiative.
 - Khelo India was introduced by the Indian government in 2017.
- Sports Infrastructure in Bihar:
 - Bihar has <u>38 Khelo India Centres</u> and **one Khelo India State Centre of Excellence**, which provide facilities for athletes at various levels.
 - There are three **Sports Authority of India Training Centres** catering to the state's sporting needs.

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NHRC Takes Suo Motu on Food Poisoning Report | Bihar | 22 Nov 2024

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<u>The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has taken Suo Motu cognizance</u> of a media report about people dying due to <u>food poisoning</u> at a Patna shelter home. The shelter is funded by the Bihar government's Directorate of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.

Key Points

- Human Rights Violation Concern:
 - The NHRC observed that the media report **highlights a serious** <u>human rights violation</u> concerning the victims.
 - The Shelter Home authorities are responsible for providing proper care to the inmates as their lawful custodians.
- Notice to Bihar Government:
 - The NHRC issued a **notice to the Chief Secretary of Bihar, r**equesting a detailed report within two weeks.
 - The report should include **the victims' health status and information** on whether any compensation has been provided to the victims or their families.
 - The Chief Secretary is also asked to **inform the NHRC about the steps take**n or proposed **to prevent such incidents from recurring** in the future.
- Unhygienic Conditions at the Shelter Home:
 - A media report highlighted that, during an inspection, **authorities found unhygienic** conditions at the Shelter Home.
 - The report also mentioned that **proper hygiene was not being maintained** during food preparation at the Shelter.

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)

About:

- It ensures the **protection of** <u>rights related to life, liberty</u>, equality, and dignity of individuals.
- Rights guaranteed by the Indian Constitution and international covenants enforceable by Indian courts.
- Establishment:
 - Established on 12th October 1993, under the Protection of Human Rights Act (PHRA), 1993.
 - Amended by the Protection of Human Rights (Amendment) Act, 2006, and Human Rights (Amendment) Act, 2019.
 - Established in conformity with the Paris Principles, adopted for promoting and protecting human rights.

NATIONAL HUMAN Rightscommission (NHRC)

According to NHRC, Human Rights are the rights relating to life, liberty, equality and dignity of the individual guaranteed by the Constitution or embodied in the International Covenants and enforceable by courts in India

- Watchdog of Human Rights in India
- Estd: 1993 (in conformity with Universal
- Declaration of Human Rights)
 Act: Protection of Human Rights Act (PHRA), 1993
- State Human Rights Commissions —
- Also constituted under the PHR Act, 1993
- Appointment of Members: by Governor Removal of Members: by President

Human Rights Day: 10 December

Functions

- (
) Investigates Complains of human rights violations
- (Suo Moto cognizance of cases
- ${\scriptstyle ({\scriptstyle \bigcirc})}$ Reviews and recommends human rights implementation
- Spreading human rights awareness
- Conduct studies, publish reports on human rights issues

and receive evidences

Powers

- Inspect prisons and other institutions to ensure conditions are humane
 - Intervene in court proceedings relating to human rights

(5) Summon individuals, examine witnesses,

The Vision

Members of NHRC

Composition

- 5 full-time members and 7 deemed members
- Chairperson: Retired CJI/Judges of the SC
- S Administrative Head: Secretary-General

Appointment

All members appointed by President on recommendations of a 6-member committee (PM, Speaker of LS, Deputy Chairman of RS, Union Home Minister and Leaders of Opposition of both Houses of Parliament)

Global Alliance of National Human

- Rights Institutions (GANHRI) Status
- NHRC has been accredited 'A' Status since 1999
- Retained 'A' Status: 2006, 2011 and 2017

Suspension of 'A' Status: 2023 and 2024

Tenure

(∋) 3 years / till age 70 (whichever is earlier)

Removal

- (9) President can remove the chairman
- or any member Ground: Charges of proved misbehaviour or incapacity



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