



## Centres of Excellence

### Why in News?

Haryana Sports Minister stated that the government is **intensifying efforts to provide advanced sports facilities** in the state, helping players excel in global events like [the Olympics](#), [World Championships](#), and [Commonwealth Games](#).

### Key Points

- **Biometric Attendance System:**
  - The government will introduce a biometric attendance system to **enhance transparency in sports nurseries** across the state.
  - The system will **first be implemented at Tau Devi Lal Sports Stadium in Panchkula** and later expanded to other stadiums and schools with sports nurseries in Haryana.
  - The initiative aims to **ensure diet allowances** are distributed only to eligible players.
- **Insurance Coverage for Players:**
  - The Sports Department will provide **insurance coverage to players**.
  - This will ensure **proper treatment in case of injuries** during training or competitions.
- **Improvement of Sports Infrastructure:**
  - District-level and Rajiv Gandhi Sports Stadiums at the block level will undergo maintenance and repairs.
  - Efforts will focus on **cleanliness and playground restoration** to enhance sports facilities.
  - The engineering wing of the Sports Department will be strengthened to ensure the timely construction of multipurpose halls and other facilities.
- **Establishment of Centres of Excellence:**
  - A [wrestling centre of excellence](#) will be set up in **Sonipat**, while a [boxing centre of excellence](#) will be established in **Panipat**.
  - Both centres will include **hostel** facilities to help athletes focus on their training.
  - **A Banda Singh Bahadur Martial Arts School will be set up in Yamunanagar** to promote martial arts training.
- **Monitoring and Accountability:**
  - The Director of Sports and Deputy Director have been instructed to visit districts, assess stadium conditions, and compile reports on necessary improvements.
  - A list of negligent sports trainers will be created to ensure proper training standards.
- **Planning and Scheduling of Sports Events:**
  - Officials have been directed to prepare an **annual sports calendar**.
  - Preparations for events should be made at least a month in advance in any district hosting competitions to avoid inconvenience for athletes.

