



Under a Memorandum of Understanding signed with the Government of Jharkhand and Central Coalfields Limited in September 2015, a Sports Academy was established within the 34th National Games infrastructure at Khelgaon, Hotwar, Ranchi. Currently, the academy hosts 286 sports cadets (Boys 131, Girls: 155 girls) who were selected through a rigorous statewide talent hunt. Approximately 96% of these cadets belong to SC/ST and other backward communities. The academy provides

comprehensive facilities free of cost, including coaching by nationally qualified coaches in world-class infrastructure, sports kits, hostel accommodations, meals, secondary education through the National Institute of Open Schooling, medical facilities, and insurance coverage of Rs. 1 lakh against medical and accidental expenses. Cadets also receive a stipend of Rs. 500 per month and opportunities to participate in various tournaments. The primary goal of the academy is to nurture talent and prepare athletes to compete at the Olympic level. Since its inception, sports cadets have collectively won 1491 medals across district, state, national, and international competitions.