## SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE

## FIRST CENTRAL UNIVERSITY IN INDIA, FOCUSING SOLELY ON SPORTS EDUCATION

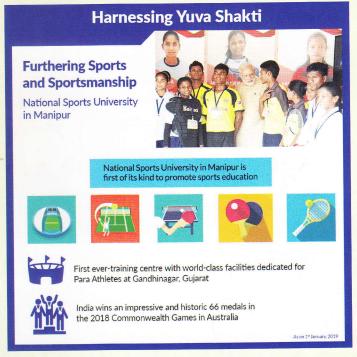
Nelson Mandela, the Nobel laureate for peace and former president of South Africa, said in one of his speeches, "Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. It speaks to youth in a language they understand. Sport can create hope where once there was only despair..." But to inspire the next generation, we need the right professionals to lead and coach them in sports.

It is with this as one of the missions that the National Sports University, Manipur, was set up in 2018. The University is presently functional from its temporary campus at the Khuman Lampak Sports Complex of Imphal. The Prime Minister laid the foundation stone for the University's proposed 325 acre campus at Imphal West, on March 16, 2018.

University -with four schools:

- School of Sports Science and Sports
  Medicine
- > School of Sports Management and Technology
- > School of Sports Education
- School of Interdisciplinary Studies

The National Sports University will have the flexibility to open new schools/departments in consonance with the advances and developments in sports science, sports medicine, and allied areas. The University, once developed, will be the first one of its kind to promote sports



education in the areas of sports sciences, sports technology, sports management, and sports coaching. It will also function as the national training centre for selected sports disciplines by adopting the best international practices by signing Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) with international Universities. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has already signed MoUs with the Universities of Canberra and Victoria in April 2017.

National Sports University aims to become the pioneering university in country to prepare world-class athletes, sports scientists, sports managers, sports architects, sports journalists, physical educationists with the help of path-breaking research & diverse programs that inspire leadership, teamwork, and resilience among its students, thereby profoundly impacting our society in meaningful ways.

- > To produce top athletes, sports scientists, competent physical educationists by offering programs that cultivate learning through competition, recreation, physical activity in addition to classroom learning.
- > To mentor students by inculcating values & leadership skills in them by providing diverse opportunities that develop character to succeed in all facets of their lives.
- > To study human potential holistically by conducting pioneering research in the field of sports science & use its findings to boost public health & enhance international performance of Indian athletes.
- > To develop the entire sports eco-system including sports management, sports journalism, sports architecture, sports equipment manufacturing, etc.
- > To contribute towards promoting international peace with the power of sports by helping build a society & country healthy in mind and body.

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