



Press Release

Shri Anurag Thakur meets World Youth Archery Championship winners; congratulates them for big medal haul

New Delhi, August 17: Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports Shri Anurag Thakur interacted with the World Youth Archery Championship winners during an event on Tuesday and congratulated them for making the nation proud. Team India registered a total of 15 medals – 8 gold, 2 silver and 5 bronze, from the archery meet in Wroclaw, Poland.

Shri Thakur heaped praise on the diversified and existing talent pool the country has at the grassroots level. “The initiatives taken under the vision of Hon’ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi to develop schemes such as the Khelo India to develop and nurture the grassroots level talent are showing results in Championships like this. It is overwhelming to see so many of our youth across the country are bringing laurels to across all sports and going forward, it gives us major hopes. I congratulate all the young archers and wish them all the luck in the competitions ahead. As they transition to the senior team, they shall be getting all the possible support to compete at the high performance level,” Shri Thakur said.

The gold medalists included the Cadet Compound Women’s Team, the Cadet Compound Men’s Team, the Junior Recurve Men’s Team, the Cadet Recurve Men’s Team, the Cadet Compound Men’s Team, the Cadet Recurve Mixed Team, the Junior Recurve Mixed Team and Komolika Bari, who won the gold in the Junior Recurve Women’s Individual event.

Komolika, who won two gold medals, in the individual and the mixed doubles events, also won the coveted medal at the 2019 World Cadet Championships. A part of the Target Olympic Podium Scheme Core team, Komalika, also another TATA Academy product, became the national champion in Women’s Individual Recurve at the 41st NTPC Junior Archery National Championship held in Dehradun in March 2021. Her tremendous rise came to the fore since the Khelo India games, where she had participated and made podium finishes at the Khelo India Youth Games 2019, 2020 as well as the University Games last year.

The silver medalists from the Poland meet, meanwhile, included Priya Gurjar, who won the Cadet Compound Individual Event and Sakshi Chaudhary from the Compound Junior Individual (Men and Women) event. The bronze medalists included Parneet Kaur in the Compound Cadet Women’s category, Rishabh Yadav in the Compound Junior Individual (Men and Women) event, Manjiri Manoj



Alone and Bishal Changmai in the Recurve Cadet Individual (Men and Women) event as well as the Cadet Recurve Women's Team.

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