

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons (PDUNWFS)

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The PDUNWFS was **set up in March, 1982** with a view to assisting outstanding sportspersons of yesteryear, living in indigent circumstances who had brought glory to the country in sports. The scheme was revised in September, 2017 to provide for **lump sum ex-gratia assistance to outstanding sportspersons of yesteryears**. Now, lump sum ex-gratia assistance is given to the sportspersons or their families for medical treatment etc.

Objectives of PDUNWFS

- Provide suitable assistance to **sports persons injured** during the period of their training for competitions and also during competitions.
- Provide suitable assistance to **promote welfare** of sports persons generally in order to **alleviate distress** among them and their dependents.
- Provide suitable assistance to sports persons **for training, procurement of sports equipment and participation** in national and international events.
- Provide suitable assistance for **medical treatment**.

More About PDUNWFS

- A general committee is constituted for management and administration of the fund and will be **chaired by the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports**.
- Day to day working of the fund is managed by an executive committee chaired by the Secretary, Department of Sports.
- The assets of the fund shall **include all such grants and contributions, recurring and non recurring** from the

central government and state governments, as well as voluntary donations and endowments.

- An **annual report** on the working of the fund shall be prepared by the member secretary of the general committee and shall be presented to the Government of India.
- Regular accounts shall be kept of all amounts and properties and of income and expenditure of the fund and shall be **audited by a recognized authority** as appointed by the general committee.