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An overview of the news

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- The torch of Khelo India Youth Games was named **Amarkantak**, on which the figure of **Maa Narmada** is also engraved.
- On this occasion, CM Shivraj announced to give **Rs 5 lakh** for sports training to the sportspersons who have won medals in Asian Games, Commonwealth Games and Olympics and to give direct DSP posts to the players who have won medals.

Khelo India Youth Games 2022

- The Games will be hosted in Madhya Pradesh from **31 January 2023 to 11 February 2023**.
- For the first time water sports namely **Kayaking Canoeing, Canoe Salaam and Fencing** will be part of this edition of Khelo India Games.
- It will be organised in **eight different cities** of the state.
- The eight host cities designated are **Bhopal, Indore, Jabalpur, Gwalior, Ujjain, Maheshwar, Mandla and Balaghat**.
- More than **8 thousand 500 athletes** and sportspersons are expected to participate in this sporting event.
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