

SOB, Assam kicks off coaches' training



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The Special Olympics Bharat, Assam Chapter Sunday kicked off its Community Coaches' Training Program at the Indira [Gandhi](#) Athletic Stadium, [Sarusajai](#), Guwahati in a bid to implement the New Scheme.

The New Scheme for the promotion of sports for Persons with Disabilities is a unique step taken by the Government not just for the growth and development of sports for the specially challenged, but because the initiative represents a major step [against](#) discrimination and reaffirms the strong [policy](#) of the Government in supporting the cause of inclusive sports. Special Olympics Bharat has been recognized [as](#) the nodal agency for the implementation of the New Scheme since the year 2010.

The Community Coaches' Training Program for district Kamrup comes under the Scheme of [Sports](#) and Games for the Disabled introduced by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & [Sports](#), Government of [India](#) in 2009-2010 during the XI Plan Period. The objective of the Scheme is broad-basing participative sports among the specially abled.

Handing out the 6th Edition of the Master Trainer Handbook (MNL: NSM: 02 Rev 04) on the occasion, Assam Athletics Association's Chief Coach, Nipon [Das](#) said that the handbook will provide a firsthand description of the disability types and an insight into the conduct guidelines of special games taking into immediate consideration the forthcoming District Games in the [city](#).

Some 50 selected [community](#) coaches attended the orientation program which included special educators, volunteers and parents representing district Kamrup. Present among them all were [National](#) Special Games [2016](#) Shot Put Silver Medalist Abhishek Gogoi, independent Games Consultants, Aniruddha Boro, Siba Prasad Baruah, Syed Miraz Ahmed, Sadananda Sonowal, Midul Baruah and Indira [Gandhi](#) Athletic Stadium Supervisor, [Arup](#) Gayan.

Talking to Assam Times on the sidelines of the event Program Manager, Special Olympics Bharat Assam Chapter, Shyamnata Kumar Majumder

informed that with a week's time in between the chapter is eagerly looking forward to the successful conduct of the District Games beginning November 16 of the current year. Some 250 special sportspersons are expected to participate in the [football](#) spectacle to be held at the Indira [Gandhi](#) Athletic Stadium, [Sarusajai](#) between November 16 and 19, he confirmed.

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