## Delhi govt hikes cash awards for Olympic winners; announces Group A jobs for gold and silver medallists - details here



The Delhi government has significantly increased cash rewards for Olympic medalists, offering ₹7 crore for gold, ₹5 crore for silver, and ₹3 crore for bronze winners.

In a major move to promote sports and reward excellence, the Delhi government on Monday announced enhanced cash prizes and government jobs for Olympic medallists from the capital. As per the new policy, athletes winning Olympic gold will receive ₹7 crore, silver medallists will be awarded ₹5 crore, and bronze winners will get ₹3 crore, Delhi Minister Ashish Sood announced.

In addition to the cash incentives, the government will also offer Group A jobs to gold and silver medallists, while bronze medallists will be eligible for Group B positions in government services.

The decisions were taken during a Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Rekha Gupta at the Delhi Secretariat here.

"Today, under the leadership of CM Rekha Gupta, a Cabinet meeting was held. Various important decisions were taken for Delhi's development, students and youth," Sood told a press conference.

"There were historic decisions taken under the Mukhyamantri Khel Prothsahan Yojana. Olympic and Paralympic medal winners were awarded ₹3 crore, ₹2 crore and ₹1 crore earlier... to encourage the sports ecosystem, Olympic gold medallists will now be given ₹7 crore, silver medallists ₹5 crore and bronze medallists ₹3 crore," he said.

Sood announced that the Gold and Silver medallists will be given Group A jobs while the bronze medallists will be given Group B jobs in the Delhi government.

Sood also announced that under the Mukhyamantri Digital Scheme, free laptops would be provided to students to ensure the holistic development of the youth.