

# Special Olympics Bharat

A sports program for the inclusion of Persons with Intellectual Disability

National Sports Federation recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports , Govt of India & accredited by Special Olympics International

# What is Intellectual Disability





Intellectual disability is characterised by significantly below-average intellectual functioning

- •IQ below 70
- •limitations in cognitive functioning and skills, including communication, social and self-care skills.
- Causes could be numerous
- •It is not subject to radical change but an early and ongoing intervention may improve functioning and enable the person to thrive throughout their lifetime









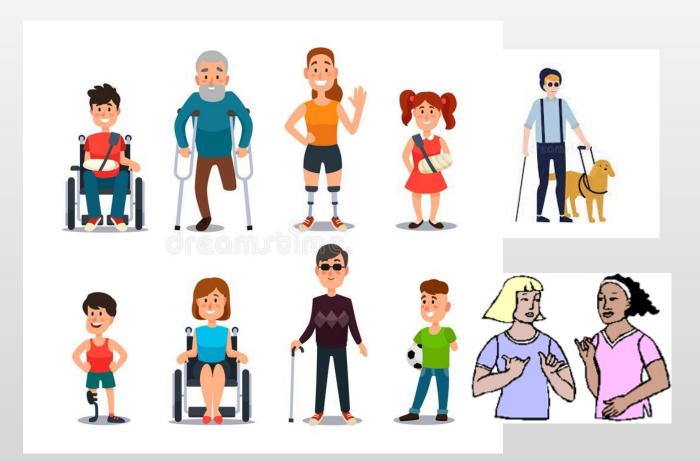
# A challenge amongst other disabilities Intellectual disability is largely invisible







Persons with an Intellectual Disability



#### **Persons with Disabilities**







### **Special Olympics is not Paralympics**



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A GLOBAL "MOVEMENT" WHICH USES SPORT AS A CATALYST TO TRANSFORMS THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DIASBILITIES



- Founded by Ms Eunice Kennedy Shriver in 1968 in the USA.
- Spread to over 190 Countries.
- Program recognized by the International Olympic Committee.
- Covers over 35 Olympic Type Games for Summer and Winter Olympics.

## What's the difference?



**Olympics** 

#### **Special Olympics**

FOUNDED: 1968

ATHLETES: People of all skill levels with an intellectual disability, cognitive delay, or

development disability SPORTS: 32 offered

WHEN: 365 days a year, with 108,800+ competitions in 172 countries. World Games every other year



#### **Paralympics**

FOUNDED: 1989

ATHLETES: People from 10 categories of

physical impairment SPORTS: 28 offered

WHEN: Paralympic Games every other year



#### Olympics

FOUNDED: 1894

ATHLETES: Varying ability levels. Both able-bodied and athletes with disabilities have competed

SPORTS: 35 offered

WHEN: Olympic Games every other year







### **Special Olympics Leadership**







**Dr Tim Shriver,** Chairman, SOI

**Air Marshal Denzil Keelor,** Founder SO
Bharat *PVSM, KC, AVSM, VrC* 





Ms Mary Davis, CEO, SOI

**Dr Mallika Nadda,** Chairperson, SO Bharat









### **Special Olympics Global Reach**





**7** Global Regions

244 National & State Programs (51USA State programs)

190 Countries

1,151,088 Coaches & Volunteers

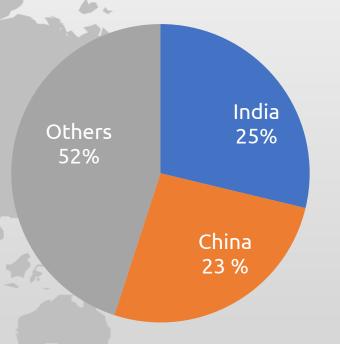
5.5 Million Athletes

Over 106,300 Games & Competitions throughout the year

World Games every 2 years

\*2018 Reach Report

#### **Athlete Distribution**









# **Special Olympics Mission**





The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.





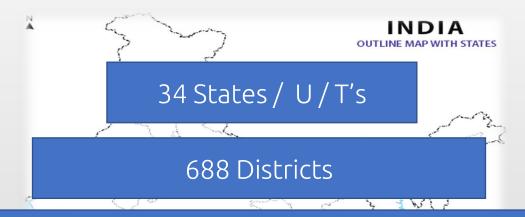




## **Special Olympics Bharat Reach**







We Serve:

1750938 Athletes; 150326 Coaches; 91968 Volunteers; 271926 Families

Gender Ratio Male / Female 60 : 40
Over 80 % of Athletes are from poor families
10 to 15 % suffer from multiple disabilities, Most of the Athletes
are undernourished







### Opening Ceremony at the Special Olympics World Summer Games 2023 Berlin Germany



# Special Olympics World Winter Games

















# Special Olympics World Summer Games































**WORLD GAMES PERFORMANCE 1987 -**2023

200



**Gold-77** 

Silver-71











#### **ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH SO BHARAT**



- **\* YOUNG ATHLETES & DEVELOPMENTAL SPORTS**
- **\* UNIFIED SPORTS**
- **\* HEALTHY ATHLETES**
- **ATHLETE LEADERSHIP**
- **\* INCLUSIVE YOUTH LEADERSHIP**
- **\* FAMILY & SIBLING ENGAGEMENT**

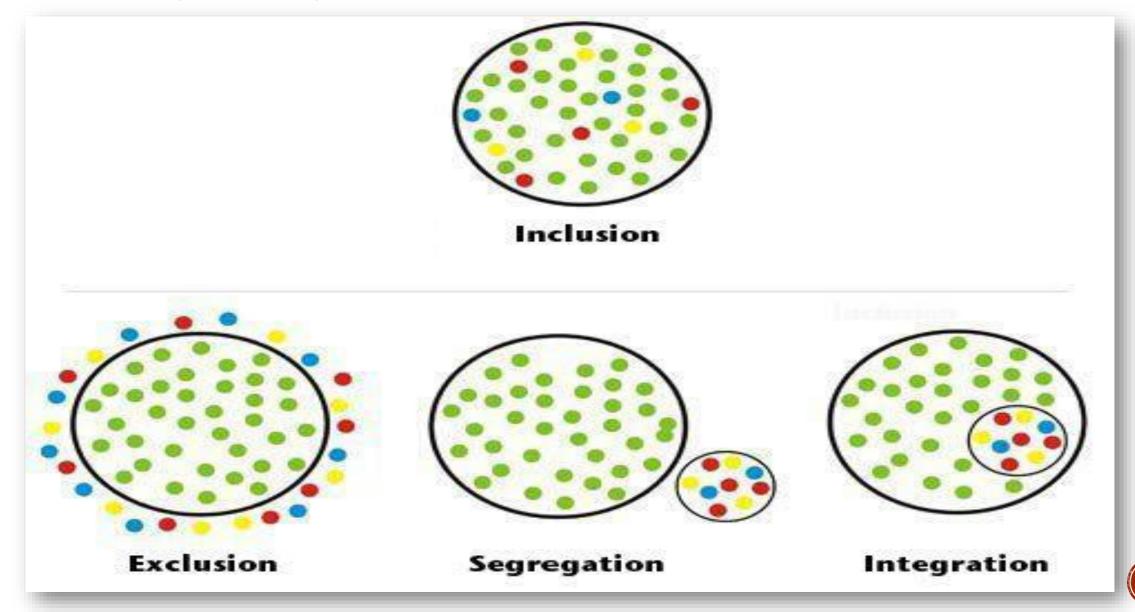
#### Global

Special Olympics is helping countries fulfill their commitments to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) as well as relevant SDGs (4 & 10)

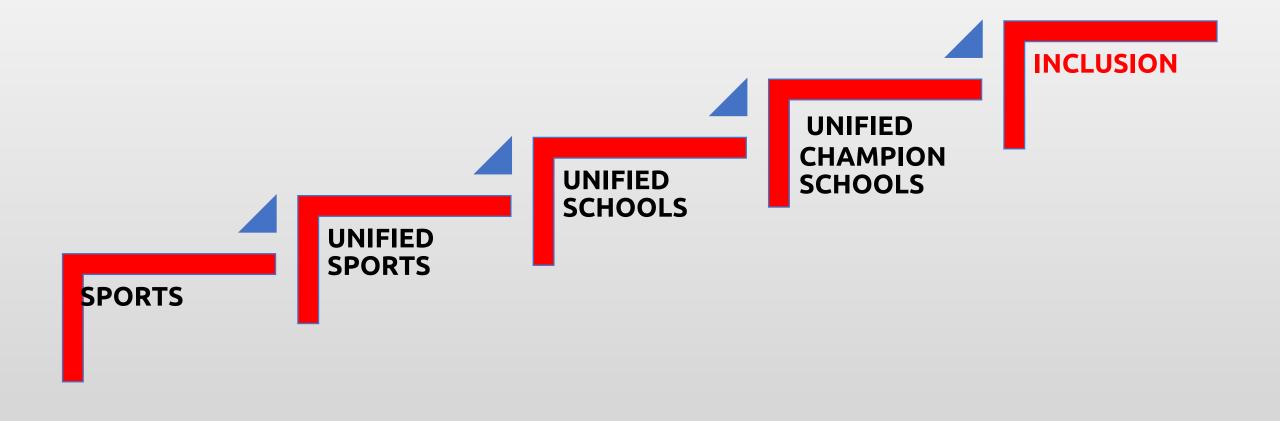


# It's about living full lives. It's about learning to live together







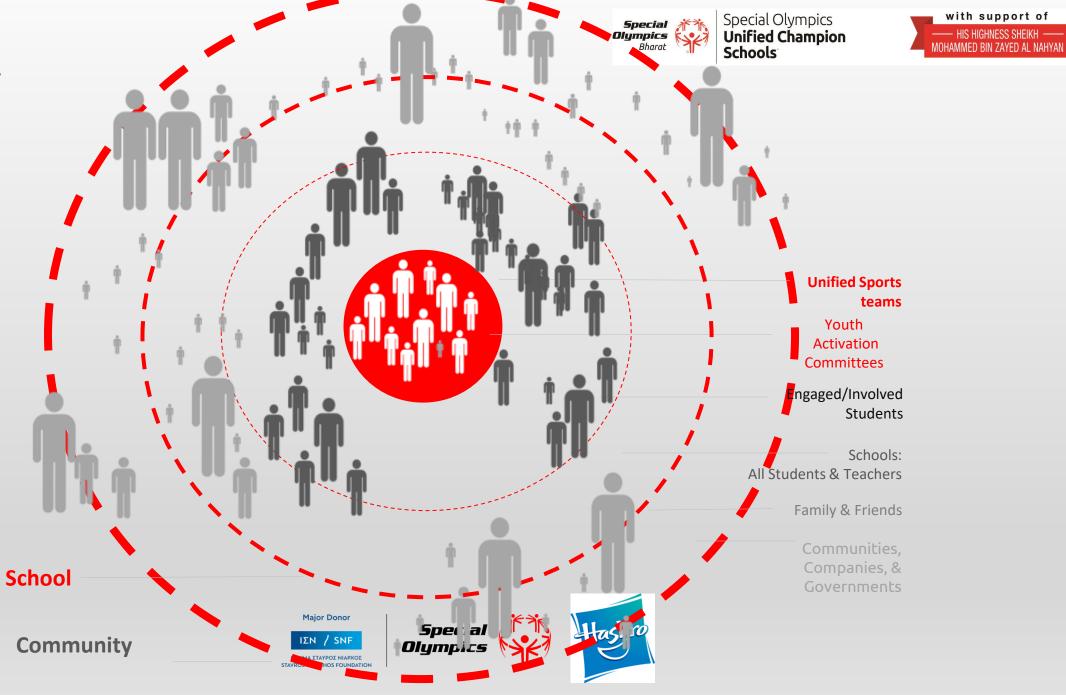








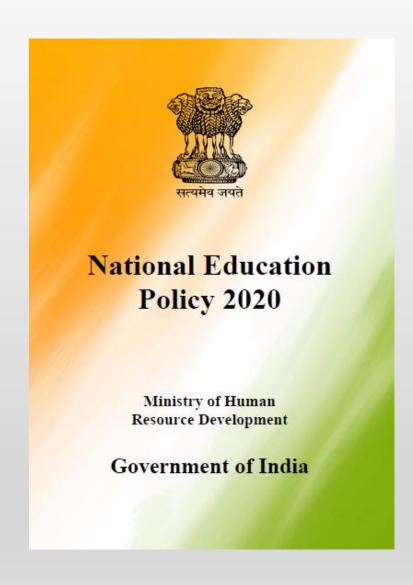
Social & Community Impact



## In Sync with the National Education Policy 2020

























# Youth Activation Committee Concept

Youth Activation
Committees (YACs) –
youth-led, adult
facilitated groups that
are empowered to
advise, give direction on
and/or implement one or
more of the youth
activation core activities.

# Youth Activation Committee Structure

10 -15 youth members with and without disabilities is ideal. As close to equal youth partner-athlete ratio as possible

Male and Female youth athletes and partners

Ages 12 – 25 years old







### Youth Activation Committee Working





Get Familiar with each other
Ask Insightful questions from each other
Decide the frequency of Unified Club Meetings
Assign roles to each member
Before every Meeting prepare an Agenda
After every Meeting table the Minutes

#### **Planning Events**

As per Exam/Holiday schedule plan activities that can be conducted
Consult the School Coordinator to see where these activities fit best
Try to plan around existing School activities
Create an Annual Action Plan
Finalise the upcoming activity/engagement
Preparing a Brief Report after every Event is Important







## **Examples of School Activities**







Swimathon -A Fundraiser Sports Day-Unified Contingent





**Unified Skit** 



Youth Mela organized by the Unified Club

involve the youth inclusively at every level- strategy to execution to reporting







# Acceptance Respect Recognition INCLUSION



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