There is provision for periodic review of performance of sportspersons, who reach the prescribed benchmark, for induction in the Scheme,” the release said.

The Sports Minister has also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited (IIFCL) which will contribute Rs.30 crore to the National Sports Development Fund for the TOP Scheme under government’s initiative for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).

IIFCL will contribute Rs.10 crore each year and this year the amount will be used to fund Badminton.

In a written reply to Lok Sabha, Sports minister Sarbanada Sonowal said the selected sportspersons will get customised training at Institutes/Centers, having world class facilities and high quality support staff, under the guidance of reputed coaches.

The Minister said criteria for selection included recent performance, consistency, and performance viz-a-viz international standards.

There are five athletes, who have been sanctioned an amount of Rs 1 crore and Rs.12.5 lakh. They are Vikas Gowda (athletics), Abhinav Bindra, Gagan Narang, Sanjeev Rajput and Manavjit Singh Sandhu (shooting).

Top wrestlers Sushil Kumar, Yogeshwar Dutt and Amit Kumar will get Rs.75 lakh each while Bajrang, Rahul Aware, Vinesh Phogat and Babita Kumari will get Rs.45 lakh each.

Two sailors — Varsha Gautam and N Aishwarya will also get Rs 45 lakh each.

Four top boxers — MC Mary Kom (51kg), Vijender Singh (75kg), Sarita Devi (60kg) and L Devendro Singh (49kg) — will also get Rs.75 lakh each while Pinki Jangra (51kg), Shiva Thapa (56kg), Mandeep Jangra (69kg) and Vikas Krishan (64kg) will get Rs.45 lakh each.

Women discus thrower Seema Antil will get Rs.75 lakh, Triple Jumper Arpinder Singh, 20km Race walker Khushbir Kaur and K T Irfan will get Rs 45 lakh each.