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1 About this career

A Sports Equipment Manager is responsible for procuring, storing, maintaining and issuing all the gear and kit used by a team, academy, stadium or sports facility — bats, balls, helmets, jerseys, shoes, training gear, gym machines and more. They count and quality-check equipment, verify safety standards, handle kit packing and logistics for matches and tours, and maintain stock registers so players get the right gear on time. The role also connects to India's sports-goods industry hubs like Jalandhar and Meerut, where people are needed to manage equipment procurement, warehousing and supply chains. It is an organised, trust-based and steady career within the world of sport.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	Class 12 pass; a sports-management/store diploma-certificate helps
Course duration	Certificate 3–11 months; diploma/degree 1–3 years
Starting salary	₹15,000–25,000/month
Work mode	Full-time at an academy/stadium/sports-goods company

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Enthusiasm for working around sport and athletes
- Interest in procurement, supply chain and logistics
- Interest in keeping gear organised, counted and accounted for

ABILITIES

- Attention to detail, alertness and organised thinking
- Honesty and a trustworthy, responsible nature

- Physical stamina and time-management under pressure

KEY SKILLS

- Procuring, counting, inspecting and storing sports equipment and kit
- Safety-checking, repairing and maintaining equipment
- Using basic computer, Excel and inventory software
- Budgeting, bookkeeping and preventing wastage and pilferage
- Maintaining stock registers, inventory and issue-return records
- Kit packing and logistics for matches and tours
- Coordinating and negotiating with suppliers, coaches and players

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete Class 12; build an interest in sport and equipment.
- 2 Do a certificate or diploma in sports management/operations or store management (e.g. Jaipur institutes or Skill India courses).
- 3 Practise basic computer, Excel and inventory record-keeping.
- 4 Gain experience as an assistant/intern at an academy, stadium, school sports department or sports-goods shop/company.
- 5 With experience, move from assistant to equipment manager and on to operations/store in-charge.
- 6 Also look for openings in the Jalandhar/Meerut sports-goods industry or at SAI centres.

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण (SAI) — All-India centres (including Rajasthan) (<https://sportsauthorityofindia.gov.in/>)
- राजस्थान कौशल एवं आजीविका विकास निगम (RSLDC) — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://livelihoods.rajasthan.gov.in/rsldc/>)
- राष्ट्रीय कौशल विकास निगम (NSDC) – प्रशिक्षण केंद्र खोजें — All-India network (<https://www.nsdcindia.org/find-nsdc-training-centre>)

- लक्ष्मीबाई राष्ट्रीय शारीरिक शिक्षा संस्थान (LNIPE) – खेल प्रबंधन पीजी डिप्लोमा — Gwalior (<https://www.lnipe.edu.in/>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- सुरेश ज्ञान विहार विश्वविद्यालय – बैचलर ऑफ स्पोर्ट्स मैनेजमेंट — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://www.gyanvihar.org/school/isbm/bachelor-of-sports-management>)
- नेशनल एकेडमी ऑफ स्पोर्ट्स मैनेजमेंट (NASM) — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://collegedunia.com/college/59841-national-academy-of-sports-management-nasm-jaipur>)
- इंटरनेशनल इंस्टिट्यूट ऑफ स्पोर्ट्स एंड मैनेजमेंट (IISM) — Mumbai (<https://iismworld.com/>)

ONLINE

- स्किल इंडिया डिजिटल हब — Online (<https://www.skillindiadigital.gov.in/>)
- एनएसडीसी – प्रशिक्षण केंद्र खोजें — Online (<https://www.nsdcindia.org/find-nsdc-training-centre>)

FEES

Skill India, NSDC and RSLDC skilling courses are often free or very low-cost. At private institutes, sports-management diplomas/degrees can cost roughly ₹40,000 to ₹8 lakh per year (per IISM, full courses range ₹3.9–8.5 lakh).

SCHOLARSHIPS

- राष्ट्रीय छात्रवृत्ति पोर्टल (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/>)
- SJE Rajasthan Scholarships (<https://sje.rajasthan.gov.in/>)
- Buddy4Study – Sports & Vocational Scholarships (<https://www.buddy4study.com/>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Sports academies, stadiums and complexes, school-college sports departments, IPL/league franchises, SAI centres, gyms and fitness centres, and sports-goods manufacturers and warehouses in hubs like Jalandhar and Meerut.

WORK CULTURE

Usually a 6-day week; long, irregular hours and travel during matches, tournaments and the season. Work happens at the store/ground/warehouse. Opportunities for women and persons with disabilities are also growing in this field.

WHO HIRES

- Sports Authority of India (SAI) and state sports councils
- Sports academies, stadiums, school and university sports departments
- Sports-retail and equipment-supply companies like Decathlon
- IPL/ISL/PKL franchises and professional sports clubs
- Sports-goods manufacturers — Nivia (Jalandhar), SG and SS/Meerut
- Gym chains, fitness studios and event-management firms

DEMAND (2026)

India's sports economy, leagues (IPL, ISL, PKL), academies and fitness industry are growing fast, sustaining demand for trained people to manage equipment and kit. The Jalandhar and Meerut sports-goods industry also produces for domestic and export markets, offering jobs in procurement, warehousing and supply chain. It is a stable and expanding career field.

7 Career growth

- 1 Assistant Equipment Manager / Kit Assistant
- 2 Sports Equipment Manager
- 3 Sports Operations / Store In-charge
- 4 Operations Manager / Facility Head

EARNINGS

Starting	₹15,000–25,000/माह
Mid level	₹30,000–55,000/माह
Senior level	₹70,000–1,50,000+/माह

Entry-level sports management/operations pay is reported at roughly ₹3–5 lakh per year, rising to ₹8–15 lakh per year at mid-level; senior roles at bodies like SAI pay considerably more. In the sports-goods industry and academies, starting pay is modest but grows quickly with experience and responsibility.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- A chance to work closely within the world of sport
- Varied opportunities across academies, leagues, SAI and the sports-goods industry
- A clear path to grow into operations/facility manager with experience

The challenges

- Long, irregular hours and travel during matches and the season
- Accountability for missing, damaged equipment or record errors
- Pay can be limited at the entry level

9 Real-life journeys

Rajesh Kharabanda

Managing Director, Nivia Sports (Freewill Sports Pvt Ltd), Jalandhar

Rajesh Kharabanda is the Managing Director of Jalandhar-based Nivia Sports (Freewill Sports Pvt Ltd), a family business founded in 1934 that today ranks among India's largest makers of sports goods and equipment such as footballs and volleyballs. After becoming MD in 2005 he grew the brand to national prominence and has been active in reviving Jalandhar's sports-goods cluster. His story shows that a deep grasp of equipment manufacturing, procurement and supply chains can build a major career in the sports industry — an inspiration for young people who want to grow in equipment management and the sports-goods sector.

Wikipedia (Nivia Sports) · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nivia_Sports

Sonal Kohli

Founder, TK Sports (sports apparel & equipment), Jalandhar

A former software engineer who worked at companies like Infosys and Microsoft, Sonal Kohli stepped into the sports apparel and equipment world in Jalandhar and founded TK Sports. Her company makes cricket helmets, team jerseys and kit and has supplied clients including IPL teams, Ranji Trophy teams and the UAE national cricket team, growing from 10 to around 350 employees. Her success in the male-dominated sports-goods industry is an inspiration for girls who want to build careers in equipment procurement, kit management and the sports-goods sector.

The Tribune · <https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/archive/jalandhar/city-woman-entrepreneur-proves-her-mettle-in-sports-apparel-industry-220717>

10 If this route does not work out

One exam or one attempt does not close the door. The same subjects also open these routes — entry is usually easier, and you can return to this field later.

- Sports Analyst
- Sports Lawyer
- Sports Agent / Manager

11 Sources & further reading

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