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(Department of Sports)

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ON
SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE
TO
NATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS
(Volume-III)

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Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
Department of Sports  

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,  
Date the 11th March, 2016

To,

1. President and Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association  
2. President and Secretary General, Paralympic Committee of India  
3. President and Secretary General, Special Olympic Bharat  
4. President and Secretary General, All National Sports Federation recognized by the Ministry

Subject: Revised Scheme of Special Awards to Medal Winners in International Sports Events and their coaches — reg.

I am directed to refer to this Department’s letter of even number dated 29.01.2015 circulating the revised Scheme of Special Awards to Medal Winners in International Sports Events and their Coaches and to say that henceforth Medal Winners of All England Badminton Championship are to be treated at par with Medal Winners of World Championships/World Cup held annually.

2. Accordingly, revised Scheme of Special Awards to Medal Winners in International Sports Events and their coaches incorporating the change with regard to All England Badminton Championship is enclosed.

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2. Executive Director (Teams), SAI  
3. Under Secretary (SP-I & SP-III)/ Under Secretary (SP-II & SP-IV)/ Under Secretary (SP-V)/ Under Secretary (SP-VI)/ Under Secretary (RGKA)  
4. Section Officer (SP-I)/ Section Officer (SP-II)/ Section Officer (SP-III)/ Section Officer (SP-V)/ Section Officer (SP-VI)  
5. Guard file.
SCHEME OF SPECIAL AWARDS TO MEDAL WINNERS IN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS EVENTS AND THEIR COACHES (Amended as on 11th March, 2016)

1.0 The special awards were introduced in the year 1986. Objective of the Special Awards is to incentivize the achievements of outstanding sportspersons, encourage and motivate them for higher achievements and to act as inspiring role models for attracting the younger generation to take up sports.

1.1 ELIGIBLE SPORTS DISCIPLINES.

The Awards will be given in the following disciplines:-

(i) Sports disciplines in Olympics/Asian Games/Commonwealth Games.
(ii) Chess.

1.2 AMOUNT OF SPECIAL AWARDS

1.2.1 Individual Events at Senior Level:

(a) Category :- Open category Sports:

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<td>Olympic Games (Summer &amp; Winter)</td>
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<td>Asian Games</td>
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<td>Common Wealth Games</td>
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<td>World Championships or World Cup (conducted in Four Year Cycle)</td>
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<td>Asian Championships (Held once in 4 years)</td>
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(c) Category: - Blind-Sports

(d) Category: - Deaf-Sports

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1.2.2 Individual Events of Junior Level for sports competitions stated in Para 1.2.1 above: - In case of Junior Level, the amount will be one third of the amount stated in para 1.2.1 above rounded off to nearest tens of thousand of Rupees.

1.2.3 Individual Events of Sub Junior Level for sports competitions stated in Para 1.2.1 above: - In case of Sub Junior Level, the amount will be one sixth of the amount stated in para 1.2.1. above rounded off to nearest tens of thousand of Rupees.

1.2.4 Team Events: These are the events where competition is among the teams. Each team has more than one person as member.

(i) The amount of Special Award in respect of team events for sports disciplines stated in Para 1.2.1 above will be determined as under:-
Strength of ‘Team’ on the ground: Number of times, the Award amount mentioned in para 1.2.1 above for the corresponding event, medal, level and category of participation.

(a) A team of two persons: 1½ times
(b) A team of 3 or 4 persons: 2 times
(c) A team of 5 to 10 persons: 3 times
(d) A team of more than 10 persons: 5 times

(ii) The actual prize money determined as above will be shared equally among the team members. However, no member of team would get less than 50% of the award amount mentioned in para 1.2.1 for the corresponding individual event, medal, level and category of participation.

(iii) Chess Olympiad, held biennially, where teams participate, will be treated at par with World Championships held biennially and amount of award money payable to members of the team will be calculated as per formula given in para 1.2.4 (i) and (ii) above.

1.2.5 CHESS: In Chess apart from awarding medals or positions in Championships, certain titles are also awarded for creditable performances in standard events, which is something unique in Chess. Therefore, Special Awards will be available not only for winning the international championships, but also for winning the title given by FIDE (International Chess Federation) provided the concerned sportsperson wins it before the age of twenty years.

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<td>(i) International Grand Master (IGM)</td>
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<td>(ii) International Master (IM)</td>
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<td>(iii) International Women Master (IWM)</td>
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The women chess players will be eligible for the Special Award either for the title of IWM or IM but not both.

Title of ‘International Grand Master’ will be given to both men chess players and women chess players.

2.0 INCENTIVE TO INDIAN COACHES

2.1 The Indian coaches who have trained the medal winners for at least 180 days in the preceding two year period before the event will be eligible for cash award under the scheme. The amount of the cash award for the coaches will be as under:

(i) In case of Individual events, award money to be given to the set of coaches will be 50% of the award money given as per this scheme to the sportspersons whom the set of coaches had coached. The set of coaches could comprise of 1 or more coaches. In case, the set contains more than one coach, the said award money will be distributed among all the coaches in the set, equally.
(ii) In case of team events, award money given to the set of coaches of the medal winning team will be the same as to the set of coaches in para 2.1 (i) above for similar medal. The set of coaches could comprise of 1 or more coaches. In case, the set contains more than one coach, the said award money will be distributed among all the coaches in the set, equally.

(iii) The Special Awards will be given regardless of whether a coach is a chief coach, Assistant Coach or Personal Coach subject to the condition that the coach should have been associated with the training of the athlete/team on a regular basis for at least a minimum period of 180 days, i.e., each coach in the set of coaches should have been associated with the medal winning sportsperson/team for at least 180 days on a regular basis.

(iv) Personal coach(es), recommended by the sportsperson, will also be eligible for cash award. Condition of having imparted training for 180 days preceding the event will not apply in the case of Personal Coach(es). Personal coach will be the one who was responsible for identification/nurturing of an individual sportsperson. If Personal Coach(es) is/are also recommended for cash award, then the award money will be distributed equally among all coaches. If only Personal(ies) Coach is/are recommended for cash award, he/she will be eligible for 50% of the award money payable to the medal winning sportsperson. Credentials of Personal coach(es) will be verified by the Sports Authority of India/the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports before considering the recommendation of the sportsperson for cash award for Personal Coach(es) is considered.

(v) Personal Coaches only for individual sports competitions and not team events, will be eligible to be recommended for cash award.

(vi) If in an event, more than one medal is won by different individual sportspersons trained by the same coach, the coach will get the cash award only for the highest medal.

(vii) If there is any doubt/dispute about the names of coaches recommended for cash award, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports will have the final say in the matter after due deliberations.

3.0 Enhancement in amount of award money:- The amount of award money, as mentioned in para 1 above, may be increased once in four years, by the Minister-in-charge of Youth Affairs & Sports on the recommendations of a Committee chaired by Secretary (Sports), which will, inter alia, include Financial Adviser of the Ministry.

4.0 Application for the award:-

4.1 National Sports Federations (NSFs) recognized by the Ministry will forward the names of medal winners and their coaches within 15 days of completion of an international sports competition to the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports in the
format enclosed as Annexure - I. Application form for cash awards should be sent under the signature of President or Secretary General of the NSF. Bank details of sportspersons/coaches recommended for cash award should be given as per mandate form at Annexure-II. The attested Xerox copies of the certificate of winning medals given by the corresponding International sports body should also be enclosed with the said intimation. Ministry will forward the applications for cash award to Sports Authority of India for verification within 15 days of receipt of applications. SAI will verify the same and forward it to Ministry within 15 days of receipt of applications from the Ministry.

4.2 NSF's will be required to send separate applications in respect of sportspersons winning medals in individual events.

4.3 NSF's will be required to send only one application in respect of team events for all members of the team.

4.4 In case, NSF for any sporting discipline is not recognized / suspended by the Ministry, the sportsperson will apply directly to Ministry.

4.5 The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India reserves the right to give the Special Award even if names of sportspersons have not been recommended by the concerned NSF, if the Ministry is satisfied about the eligibility of the events and the medals won by such sportspersons.

5. General

(i) The international sports competitions mentioned in para 1.2 above should have been conducted by the international sports body recognized by International Olympic Committee (IOC), International Paralympic Committee (IPC), Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), World Chess Federation (FIDE), International Sports Committee for the Deaf (ICSD), International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA), Special Olympics International.

(ii) The Olympics, Paralympics, Asian Games, Para-Asian Games and Commonwealth Games are fairly well defined sports events. However, there may be some ambiguity in determining as to which official World/Asian/Commonwealth championship should be eligible for the Special Awards, as there may be many kinds of tournaments, cups or championships all organized officially but only one and the best of them may be listed as the official World/Asian/Commonwealth Championships in each eligible discipline for the purpose of these awards. The Government of India shall have the right to decide as to which event will be eligible for the special award.

(iii) World Cups/Championships organized more than once a year will not be considered for cash Award.

(iv) With the approval of the Minister-in-charge of Youth Affairs & Sports, suitable cash awards can be announced in very deserving cases for events not covered under the scheme.
6. **Relaxation clause:**

6.1 The Ministry reserves the right to add, relax, amend, alter or revise the clauses/sections/provisions of the instant Scheme with due approval of the Minister-in-charge of Youth Affairs & Sports. In case of any change/alteration in the financial parameters of the Scheme, the same will be effected with due approval of the Integrated Finance Division.

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**PROFORMA**

**Recommendations from National Sports Federations for giving Special Cash Awards to Winners of International Sports Events and their Coaches**

*(To be sent in triplicate)*

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*S* Separate applications to be given for sportspersons winning medals in individual events of a particular sports event **but in one lot**. Single application to be submitted for Team events for all members of the team.

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5. **Name of the coach(es) being recommended for Special Cash Award, his/her father’s name and postal address**

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* if recommended coach is Personal coach, it may be indicated before his/her name.

It is certified that the information furnished above has been verified and is correct. It is also certified that the international sports events mentioned in para 4 above is covered in the Scheme of special cash awards for medal winners and their coaches.

Signature and Seal of the Secretary of the National Sports Federation concerned

Signature and Seal of the President of the National Sports Federation concerned
MANDATE FORM

ELECTRONIC CLEARING SERVICE (CREDIT CLEARING)/REAL TIME GROSS SETTLEMENT (RTGS) FACILITY FOR RECEIVING PAYMENTS

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I, hereby, declare that the particulars given above are correct and complete. If the transaction is delayed or not effected at all for reasons of incomplete or incorrect information, I would not hold the user Institution responsible. I have read the option invitation letter and agree to discharge responsibility expected of me as a participant under the Scheme.

DATE: (Signature of Customer)

Certified that the particulars furnish above are correct as per our records.

(Bank’s stamp) (Signature of Customer)
1. Please attach a photocopy of the cheque along with the verification obtained from bank.
2. In case your Bank Branch is presently not "RTGS enabled", then upon its upgradation to RTGS Enabled branch, please submit the information again in the above proforma to the Department at the earliest.
Office Memorandum

Subject: Revised Scheme of National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons -reg

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Scheme of the National Welfare Fund of Sportspersons, which was last revised on 20.10.2009 and to say that the Scheme of National Welfare Fund of Sportspersons has been reviewed and has been revised extensively.

2. In the revised Scheme, amount of annual income for being eligible for getting financial assistance from the Fund has been raised from the existing Rs. 2 lakh to Rs. 4 lakh. Scope of the Scheme has also been expanded to include more sportspersons for being considered for financial assistance from the Fund. Quantum of assistance from the Fund has also been substantially enhanced.

3. A copy of the Scheme of National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons, amended as on 18.5.2016, along with the proforma for application for seeking assistance under the Scheme, is sent herewith.

4. It is requested that revised scheme National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons may be given wide publicity and may also be uploaded on websites of Sports Authority of India (SAI), Indian Olympic Association (IOA), National Sports Federations (NSFs), Sports Departments of State Governments.

(S.P.S Tomar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel No. 23073206

Copy to:
1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs & Sports of All States and Union Territories
3. President/Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, B-29, Qutub, Institutional Area, New Delhi.
4. President/Secretary General of all recognized National Sports Federations

Copy also to:
1. Executive Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.
2. Under Secretary (SP-I &III)
3. Guard File
NATIONAL WELFARE FUND FOR SPORTSPERSONS  
(Amended as on 18th May 2016)

PART I – PRELIMINARY

1. The scheme for the National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons shall extend to the whole of India.

DEFINITIONS

2. In this Scheme unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "General Committee" means the General Committee for National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons.

(b) "Executive Committee" means the Executive Committee for National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons.

(c) "Family" means sportsperson’s wife or husband, as the case may be, minor sons and unmarried daughters residing with and wholly dependent on him and includes any dependent father, mother, unmarried sisters, minor brothers, adopted sons and daughters subject to the condition that valid proof of adoption is produced.

(d) "Fund" means the National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons.

(e) "Indigent circumstances" means the circumstances under which sportsperson or his family in distress have no source of income or have income of less than Rs. 4 lakh per annum from all sources and such other circumstances as may be considered by the Committee to be indigent circumstances.

(f) "Scheme" means the Scheme for National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons.

(g) "Sports" means the sports and games for which a National Sports Federations duly recognized by the Central Government exists. However, other sports and games, for which a duly recognized National Sports Federation does not exist, can also be covered under the scheme if so decided by the General Committee of the National Welfare Fund.

(h) "Outstanding Sportsperson" means a sportsperson who has achieved a position within first 3 in individual events and team events in a recognized National Championship (Senior category) conducted by National Sports Federations, recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, or National Games conducted under auspices of Indian Olympic Association, Inter-University Tournaments conducted under the auspices of Association of Indian Universities, or one who has participated in an international sports event in senior category in the sports disciplines included in Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games.
For purpose of giving financial assistance to sportspersons who have suffered injuries, "outstanding sportsperson" will also include junior and sub-junior categories.

(i) "International Competition" means Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, World Championships, Commonwealth Championships and other such recognized events. It does not, however, include purely invitational tournaments.

(j) "National Competition" means National Championships conducted by National Sports Federations (NSFs) recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, National Games conducted under auspices of Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and Inter-University Tournaments recognized by Association of Indian Universities.

OBJECTIVES OF THE FUND

3. The Fund shall be utilized for the following objectives:

(i) to provide suitable assistance to outstanding sportspersons now living in indigent sportspersons;

(ii) to provide suitable assistance to outstanding sportspersons injured during the period of their training for competitions and also during the competitions, depending on the nature of the injury;

(iii) to provide suitable assistance to outstanding sportspersons who bring glory to the country in international field and who are disabled as an after effect of their strenuous training or otherwise and to provide them assistance for medical treatment;

(iv) to administrator and apply the funds of the Fund to promote the welfare of the sportspersons generally in order to alleviate distress among them and their dependents in indigent circumstances;

(v) to administer and apply the funds of the Fund for active sportspersons individually or collectively as a group;

(vi) to do all other things which are incidental to the above objectives.

PART II – GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

COMPOSITION

4. For the management and administration of the Fund, a General Committee shall be constituted consisting of the following members, namely:

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<td>Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports</td>
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<td>Financial Adviser, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports</td>
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5. Day-to-Day working of the Fund shall be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of the following members; namely-

| (i) | Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports | Chairperson |
| (ii) | Financial Adviser, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports | Member |
| (iii) | Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association | Member |
| (iv) | Director General, Sports Authority of India | Member |
| (v) | Two eminent ex-sportspersons including one woman | Member |
| (vi) | Joint Secretary (Sports), Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports | Member |
| (vii) | Director (Sports), Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports | Member-Secretary |

QUORUM FOR MEETINGS OF GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

6 (i) Not less than four members of the Committees shall form quorum for any meeting.
6 (ii) Every matter shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and voting on question and in case of equality of votes, the chairperson shall have a casting vote.

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS FOR MEETINGS OF GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

7 (i) The Committees may function notwithstanding any vacancy in its membership.
7 (ii) Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, the General Committee and Executive Committee may, as they think fit, frame, and vary, from time to time, rules for the conduct of their business.
7 (iii) For the amount standing in the credit of the Fund, the investment of the funds will be made in accordance with the guidelines of the Ministry of Finance on investment of fund by the government agencies.
7(iv) The General Committee may make rules for the regulation, management and for any other purpose connected with execution of the Fund.

7(v) The Executive Committee shall invest the proceeds of the sale or other disposal of the property as well as any monies or property not immediately required to be used for the objects of the Fund in anyone or more of the modes of investment for the time being authorized by law for the investment of the trust monies, as the Executive Committee may think proper.

DURATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

8(i) A nominated member of the Committee, shall hold office for a period of 3 years from the date of his/her nomination unless re-nominated at the expiry of that period.

8(ii) A member of the Committee shall cease to be a member on his/her death, resignation or on becoming insolvent or of unsound mind or conviction or criminal offence involving moral turpitude.

8(iii) The resignation of membership shall be tendered to the Chairperson of the Committee and shall become effective from the date of its acceptance or on the expiry of 30 days after the date of resignation, whichever is earlier.

VACANCIES IN THE GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

9. Vacancies in the Committees shall be filled in as and when they arise.

MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

10(i) The General Committee shall meet as often as it is necessary to do so for transaction of the business of the Fund but it shall meet, in any case, at least once a year.

10(ii) The Executive Committee shall meet as often as it is necessary to do so for day-to-day working of the Fund but it shall meet, in any case, at least quarterly in a year.

PART III - QUANTUM OF ASSISTANCE

11(i) Assistance to sportspersons living in indigent circumstances: A lumpsum ex-gratia financial assistance may be granted to an outstanding sportsperson now living in indigent circumstances, subject to a maximum of Rs. 5 lakh.

11(ii) Assistance for injuries sustained during training for and participation in sports competitions as defined in para 2 (b) above: A lumpsum ex-gratia financial assistance subject to a maximum of Rs. 10 lakh may be granted to an outstanding
spor(tsperson for injuries sustained during training for and participation in sports competitions as defined in para 2 (h) above.

11 (iii) Assistance to Families of deceased Outstanding Sportpersons: A lumpsum financial assistance, not exceeding Rs. 5.00 lakh in each case, may be provided to the families of deceased outstanding sportspersons living in indigent circumstances.

11 (iv) Assistance for Medical Treatment: Financial assistance not exceeding Rs. 10 lakh may be provided for medical treatment of an outstanding sportsperson or of any of his/her family members living in indigent circumstances.

11 (v) Assistance to coaches, support personnel, umpires, referees and match officials: Lumpsum financial assistance, not exceeding Rs. 2 lakh may be provided to coaches and support personnel such as sports doctors, sports psychologists, sports mentors, physiotherapists, masseurs who have been attached with national coaching camps for senior category players and national teams (senior category), and umpires, referees and match officials, who have been associated with recognized national championships (senior category) and international tournaments (senior category) in the sports disciplines included in Olympic Games, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games who are living in indigent circumstances or to family members of such deceased support personnel living in indigent circumstances.

11 (vi) Discretionary powers to the Chairperson of the General Committee: The Chairperson of the General Committee may sanction the assistance, in deserving cases, even to those, who technically are non-eligible, taking into account full facts and circumstances for each case and for reasons to be recorded in writing. The Chairperson will have the discretion to decide the quantum of assistance.

11 (vii) Disclosure of information about assistance received from other resources: Sportspersons or family members of sportspersons applying for assistance from National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons will furnish information about assistance received in kind or cash from any other source for the same purpose.

PART IV - PROCEDURE FOR GRANT OF ASSISTANCE

APPLICATION TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

12. An application for financial assistance from the Fund shall be addressed to the Member-Secretary of the Executive Committee in the prescribed proforma enclosed.

CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION

13 (1) All applications for financial assistance from the Fund shall be considered by the Executive Committee and where the Executive Committee is not meeting in near future for any reason, the applications so received may be considered and disposed off even by circulation, by a Sub Committee consisting of the Chairperson and two other members of the Executive Committee to be nominated by the Chairperson of the Executive Committee.
POWER TO STOP GRANT
14. The Chairperson of the General Committee may, if he/she thinks it necessary to do so and for reasons to be recorded in writing, withhold or reduce any undisbursed grant made under this Scheme.

PART V – MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

MEMBER-SECRETARY—POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

15 (a) All contracts and other assurances shall be in the name of the General Committee and shall be signed on its behalf by at least one of the members and Member-Secretary.

15 (b) The Member-Secretary shall

(i) keep regular accounts of the monies in the Fund,
(ii) be the custodian of all records of the Committees,
(iii) conduct the official correspondence on behalf of the Committees,
(iv) issue all notices for convening the meetings of the Committees,
(v) keep minutes of all meetings of the Committees,
(vi) manage the properties and funds of the Fund, and
(vii) exercise all other powers and execute such other functions as may be assigned to him by the Committees from time to time.

16. ASSETS OF THE FUND

The assets of the Fund shall include all such grants and contributions, recurring and non-recurring, from the Central Government and State Governments, local bodies or any other statutory or non-statutory bodies set up by the Central Government or State Governments as well as Voluntary donations and endowments from any other sources, whenever received.

ALLOCATION OF FUND

17. The General Committee may determine the proportion of total monies at its disposal which shall be applied for various purposes of this scheme in a particular year.

DEPOSIT OF FUND

18 (1) All monies in the Fund shall be credited initially to the accounts of the National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons to be opened in the State Bank of India or any of its subsidiaries or any other scheduled Bank approved in this behalf by the Government of India.
18 (2) The monies out of the Fund that are not required to be used immediately for the objects of the Fund, may be invested in any one or more of the modes of investment for the time being authorized by law for investment of the trust monies.

WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS

19. Any withdrawal of funds from the accounts of the Fund shall be regulated in a manner to be determined by the General Committee. Such withdrawal shall be made by the Member-Secretary in the case of an amount not exceeding Rs. 25,000/- and signed duly by the Member-Secretary and another member of the General Committee to be nominated by the General Committee in all other cases.

APPOINTMENT OF STAFF

20 (1) The General Committee may appoint such staff as it may consider necessary for the discharge of its functions.

20 (2) The terms and conditions of service of the staff may be determined by the General Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

21. The administrative expenses incurred by the General Committee and Executive Committee such as expenditure incurred on salaries and allowances, traveling allowance and daily allowance of its officers and staff and traveling allowance and daily allowance of the members and also expenses incurred for generation of awareness about the Fund shall be legitimate charge on the Fund.

REMUNERATION TO MEMBERS

22 (1) No remuneration shall be paid to any of the members of the General Committee and Executive Committee except traveling and daily allowance at rates to be determined by the General Committee.

22 (2) The official members of the General Committee and Executive Committee shall draw traveling and daily allowance at rates admissible to them from the source from which they draw their salaries.

ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

23. Regular accounts shall be kept of all monies and properties and of income and expenditure of the Fund and shall be audited by a firm of Chartered Accountants or any other recognized authorities as may be appointed by the General Committee. The auditors shall also certify that the expenditure from the Fund has been correctly incurred in accordance with the objects of the Fund.

ANNUAL REPORT

24. An annual report on the working of the Fund shall be prepared by the Member-Secretary of the General Committee and shall after approval of the General Committee, be presented to the Government of India.
RELAXATION CLAUSE:

25. Minister-in-charge for Youth Affairs & Sports will be competent authority for relaxation of any clause of this Scheme provided there are sufficient reasons (to be recorded in writing) for doing so.
**NATIONAL WELFARE FUND FOR SPORTSPERSONS**

Specimen Application Form for Assistance

(To be submitted in quadruplicate)

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   *(Attach documentary proof)* |
| 5 | Present occupation with full address of the employer, if any |
| 6 | Whether himself/herself is a sportsman/woman or dependent  
   *(If dependent, state relationship with the sportsman/woman whose particulars i.e., name, father’s name etc. may be given)* |
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DECLARATION

I do hereby solemnly declare and affirm that the particulars mentioned above are correct.

(Signature of the applicant)

Date

Signed in my presence (2 witnesses)

Name & Address in capital letters

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To,

Member-Secretary,
National Welfare Fund for sportspersons,
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports,
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001.

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To
The Secretary General,
Indian Olympic Association

The Secretary General
All recognized National Sports Federation.

Sub:- Restoration of financial assistance to sports disciplines in 'Others' category.
- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey that financial assistance to the NSFs of 'Others' category sports disciplines, for holding national championships, was withdrawn vide order dated 07-04-2014. The matter has been reviewed and it has been decided to restore financial assistance for such championships to the NSFs of 'Others' category sports disciplines. The scale of assistance will be as per the revised scheme notified vide order no.12-5/2013-SP-III dated 04-11-2015 which is as under:-

1. Rs.5.00 lakhs for Senior
2. Rs.7.00 lakhs for Junior
3. Rs.10.00 lakhs for Sub-Junior

2. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (sports)
Tel No.23383336

Copy to:-
1. PS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. PS to DG (SAI)
3. PS to JS (Sports)
4. Director (SPH)/ Director (VN)
5. US (SP-II)/ US (SP-IV)/ US(SP-V)
6. SO (SP-I)/SO (SP-II)/ SO (SP-III)/ SO (SP-IV)/SO (SP-V)
7. ED (Teams) SAI
8. NIC, for placing it on the website of the Ministry
9. Shri Alok Deshwal, DPIO for taking necessary action
To

The Secretary General,
Indian Olympic Association

The Secretary General
All recognized National Sports Federation.

Sub: Matter relating to Yoga as a sports discipline - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

Vide this office letter No. 12-5/2014-S-III dated 01-09-2015 it was informed that ‘Yoga’ has been recognized as a sports discipline. Since grant of recognition it was brought to notice of the Department that it may not be feasible to hold competitions in Yoga. The matter was reviewed in a meeting chaired by Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS where the officers from this Ministry, Ministry of AYUSH and Deptt. of Personnel & Training were present. After elaborate discussion, it was concluded that Yoga has various dimensions/arms in which competitions are not possible. Hence, it was agreed that Yoga cannot be termed as a sport. Consequently, it may not be appropriate to recognize any organization as NSF for Yoga. It was also agreed that the entire matter relating to Yoga will continue to be handled by Ministry of AYUSH.

2. This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS and shall come into force with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully

(A.K. Patra
Under Secretary to the Govt. of Indi
Tel No. 2338256

Copy to:-
1. PS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports) MYAS.
3. PS to DG, Sports Authority of India, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
4. PS to Secretary, AYUSH
5. PS to Sh. P.N. Ranjit Kumar, JS (AYUSH)
6. Dr. Ishwara N. Acharya, DG (CCRYN)
7. Sh. Sandeep Jain, Director (DOPT)
8. PS to Joint Secretary (Sports) MYAS
9. US (SP-IV), US (SP-V), US (SP-VI)
10. SO (SP-I,II,III,IV,V,VI)
11. Executive Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India.
12. NIC, for placing it on the website of the Ministry
13. Shri Alok Deshwal, DPIO for taking necessary action
F.No.-12-1/2017-SP III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 5th January, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Preparation of a new comprehensive National Sports Development Code - regarding.

The Government in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has decided to constitute the following Committee to study the existing sports governance framework; issues relating to sports governance in the country; recent developments related to sports governance, including court judgments & international best practices and make recommendations on bringing out a comprehensive National Sports Development Code across sports disciplines.

| i.  | Shri Injeti Srinivas, Secretary (Sports) | Chairman |
| ii. | Shri Abhinav Bindra, Olympian           | Member   |
| iii.| Ms. Anju Bobby George, Olympian         | Member   |
| iv. | Shri Prakash Padukone, Eminent Sports Person & Coach | Member |
| v.  | Shri Narinder Batra, President, FIH    | Member   |
| vi. | Shri. Nandan Kamath, Lawyer            | Member   |
| vii.| Shri Bishweshwar Nandi, Coach           | Member   |
| viii.| Shri Vijay Lokpally, Sports Journalist | Member   |
| ix. | Joint Secretary (Sports), MYAS         | Secretary|

2. Terms of reference of the Committee shall be as follows:-

   a. To identify basic universal principles of ethics and good governance based on the IOC Charter, international best practices, draft National Sports Development Bill, National Sports Development Code, 2011, Supreme Court and High Court judgments, etc.

   b. To identify issues pertaining to good governance in administration of sports in the country.
c. To make specific recommendations for bringing out a comprehensive Sports Code to address the issues of governance pertaining to the NOC and NSFs.

3. Non-official members of the Committee will be entitled to TA/DA as per the entitlement of an SAG Grade officer of the Government of India. They will also be paid sitting fee of Rs. 5000/- per day.

4. All the logistic support to the Committee will be provided by SAI. Secretary, SAI may designate a Nodal Officer for this purpose. All expenditure towards the working of the Committee will be booked to the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs.

5. The Committee will devise its own procedures for conduct of its business and will submit its report within a month.

6. This issues with the approval of MOS (I/C), YAS.

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to Government of India
Tel: 23382560

To
All Members of the Committee

Copy to:

1. PS to MOS (I/C), YAS.
2. SO to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to DG, SAI
4. Secretary, SAI
F.No.-12-1/2017-SP III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 2nd February, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Preparation of a new comprehensive National Sports Development Code- regarding.

Vide this department's OM of even no. dated 05.01.2017, a Committee has been constituted to study the existing sports governance framework, issues relating to sports governance in the country, recent developments related to sports governance, including court judgments & international best practices and make recommendations on bringing out a comprehensive National Sports Development Code across sports disciplines.

It has been decided to include Shri Geet Sethi, Eminent Sports Person in the Committee. He will be entitled to TA/DA as per the entitlement of an SAG Grade officer of the Government of India. He will also be paid sitting fee of Rs. 5000/- per day as applicable to all other non-official members of the Committee.

2. This issues with the approval of Secretary Sports

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to Government of India
Tel: 23382560

To
1. Shri Geet Sethi, Eminent Sports Person. A copy of OM of even No. dated 05.01.2017 is enclosed.
2. All Members of the Committee

Copy to:
1. PS to MOS (I/C), YAS.
2. SO to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to DG, SAI
4. Secretary, SAI
F.No.9-38/2016-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 14th February, 2017.

To
(i) Secretaries of All Union Ministries/Departments
(ii) Chief Secretaries of All State Governments and UTs
(iii) Sports Secretaries of all State Governments and UTs

Subject: Instructions regarding holding of elective posts in sports bodies by employees of Public Sector Undertakings-autonomous bodies of Union and the State Governments.

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, that holding of elective offices in various sports bodies by employees of Central Government is regulated in terms of the provisions contained in the Central Civil Services (Conduct Rules), 1964. In terms of Rule 15(1) of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, previous sanction of the Government or the prescribed authority is required to hold an elective office, in any body, whether incorporated or not. Further, instructions issued vide the Department of Personnel & Training's OM No.11013/3/9/93-Estt (A) dated 22.04.1994 provide, inter-alia, that no Government servant should be allowed to hold elective office in any sports association/federation for a term of more than 4 years, or for one term, whichever is less. These instructions were made part of the National Sports Development Code of India, effective from 31.01.2011. Vide letter No.14-82/2009-SP-IV dated 04.02.2010, the aforesaid provisions were made applicable to the employees of State/UT governments and all Chief Secretaries of States/UTs were informed.

2. The issue of holding elective post by the employees of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)/autonomous bodies of Union and State Governments has been considered in this Ministry and it has been decided that employees of PSUs/autonomous bodies of Union/State Governments will also be governed by the same principle as applicable to government servants.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
Tele/Fax: 2338 3666.
Email: sagarp.hooda@nic.in
No.9-37/2016-SP-I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
Department of Sports  

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 23rd February, 2017

To
1. President & Secretary General of IOA
2. President & Secretary General of all NSFs

Sir,

As you are aware Government has issued National Sports Development Code of India 2011, (NSDCI) effective from 31.01.2011, which contains, inter-alia, various conditions for grant of recognition to NSFs and instructions & guidelines for good governance in the functioning of the IOA & NSFS. Annexure II of NSDCI contains conditions for recognition of NSFs (copy enclosed for ready reference). Para 3.10 of the said annexure regulates membership of the NSFs which is reproduced below:-

"3.10 At the National level, there will be only one recognized federation for each discipline of sport. Only the duly recognized National Sports Federation (NSF) would be entitled to financial grants as admissible. Only one State/UT Association from each State/UT shall be admitted as a member of the Federation, provided it has a minimum of 50% of the District level Associations affiliated to it. Any organization of an all India standing and connected with the Sport may be given the status as that of a State or that of a UT and admitted as affiliated member. Other categories of membership may also be given, but while each affiliated State/UT Unit shall have a right to cast vote in the General Body Meeting, no other class of Member(s) shall have any right to vote, in the Federation’s meetings. While granting recognition/affiliation to a State/UTs association, the National Federation should take into consideration the representative character of the State/UT Association so as to ensure that only truly representative body of the game gets the recognition/affiliation."

2. As per the conditions of para 3.10 only State & UTs can be members who will have the right to vote as member of NSFs. It has come to the notice that many NSFs have given voting rights to the member such as Sports Promotion Boards, Association of Indian Universities etc. which is not in accordance with the provisions of the NSDCI.
3. It is therefore advised that the voting rights given to the members which are not State/UTs may be withdrawn by the NSFs & IOA. Necessary action in this regard may be taken in the matter and a compliance report may be sent to this office within a month of receipt of this letter.

This issues with the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel. No.: 23382560

Encl: As Above

Copy to:-
1. PS to MOS
2. PS to Secretary (Sports)/PS to DG(SAI)
3. All Directors/ DS/ US/ SOs of MYAS
4. All SPBs
5. AIU/SGFI
6. NIC for placing it on website
No. F.6-1/97-SP.IV/SP.III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

New Delhi, the 29th April, 2016

The Director General,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Sports Complex,
Lodhi Road,
New Delhi.

Subject: Engaging the services of Assistant Secretaries when National Sports Federations are not in recognition regarding.

Sir,

Under the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations, financial assistance is given to National Sports Federations, having their office in Delhi, to meet the pay and allowances of Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary employed by them, if they abide by the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. As per these orders, the Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary is the employee of the NSF which has employed him and the Government will not be responsible for or liable to give any assistance, financial or otherwise, which the federation may provide to him over and above what is admissible under the scheme. The list of the NSF's where such Assistant Secretaries are working is given in the annexure. Such Assistant Secretaries assist the NSF's in their day to day work such as maintenance of accounts, sending teams abroad, coordination for coaching camps, etc. Due to this, these Assistant Secretaries have gained experience on the functioning of the NSF's.

Whenever a National Sports Federation is suspended/de-recognised or its annual recognition is not renewed, the entire work of the NSF is managed by SAI. This generates additional work-load for SAI. While the Assistant Secretaries of the NSF's remain unutilised during the period, the pressure of work increases enormously for SAI.

Taking these facts in consideration, it has been decided that SAI or the Ad-hoc Committee formed by SAI or the international body of that sport to look after the work of such NSF may utilise the
services of the Assistant Secretary working in that NSF. In case SAI or the ad-hoc body decides to engage the services of the Assistant Secretary of the NSF, financial assistance as admissible under the scheme would be paid directly to the Assistant Secretary by SAI from the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs as per the norms of the scheme for the period the person works with such bodies. The other terms and conditions for engaging the Assistant Secretary such as age limit etc. shall remain unchanged.

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS(I/C) YA&S.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: Annexure

( A.K. Patro )

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. PS to MOS (YA&S)
2. PPS to Secretary (Sport)
3. PS to JS(SP)
4. PS to JS(Dev.)
5. Director (SPH)/Dir. (VN)
6. US(SPST)/US(VK)
7. SO (SP.I/SP.III/SP.IV)
List of NIFS where Ath. Secretaries are presently working

1. Archery
2. Boxing
3. Carrom
4. Cycling
5. Cycle Polo
6. Gymnastics
7. Golf
8. Judo
9. Hockey
10. Table Tennis
11. Wrestling
12. Weightlifting
13. Volleyball
14. Yachting
F.No. 1-27/B6-D.I(SP)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Youth Affairs and Sports  

New Delhi, the 3rd September, 1988

To
1. The Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association,  
   Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,  
   New Delhi-110003.


Subject:—Guidelines to National Sports Federations for appointment to the post of Joint Secretaries/Assistant Secretaries and Government assistance therefor.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to para 6 of this Department's communication of even number dated 16-02-88 containing detailed Guidelines to National Sports Federations for the development of excellence in sports and games in the country. In continuation thereof, it has now been decided by Government that financial assistance will be admissible as follows to National sports Federations (hereafter referred to as Federations) for meeting the pay and allowances of Joint Secretaries/Assistant Secretaries employed by them. Assistance in this behalf would be admissible only when the Federations abide by all instructions issued by Government from time to time.

2. Joint Secretaries

2.1 Government will consider reimbursement of the pay and allowances of the post of a Joint Secretary to such Federations which are required to necessarily prepare a long term plan for participation in Asian Games 1990 as has been mentioned in Chapter-I para 1-1-4 of this Department's letter of even number dated 16-2-1988. Such assistance will be limited to the salary of the Joint Secretary in the pay scale of Rs. 2000-60-2300^EB-75-3200-100-3500 plus Dearness Allowance. No House Rent Allowance, City Compensatory Allowance, Medical Allowance, Leave Travel Concession or other allowances of any kind will be admissible to the Joint Secretaries.
2.2 Government will not be responsible for or liable to give any assistance financial or otherwise, which the Federation may provide to him, over and above such assistance.

2.3 The Government will also not be responsible for liabilities like leave salary or terminal benefits.

2.4 The Joint Secretary will be an employee of the Federation which has employed him. He will not be deemed to be an employee of Government under any circumstances.

2.5 The assistance to the Federation will also be subject to the following other conditions.

2.6 Recruitment to the post of Joint Secretary

2.6.1 The recruitment to the post of Joint Secretary will be made by a Selection Committee consisting of a representative of the Federation, a representative of the Sports Authority of India and a representative of the Government in the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports.

2.6.2 However, if a candidate is a relation of any member of the Committee, that member will not participate in the selection, and another representative or nominee will be included in his place on the Selection Committee.

2.7 The Joint Secretary will be appointed initially for a period of one year, which can be extended on a year to year basis with the concurrence of the Department of Youth Affairs & Sports in case continued assistance is sought from the Department.

2.8 No extension will be allowed, after incumbent has attained the age of 60 years.

2.9 Joint Secretary's Functions

2.9.1 The Joint Secretary will act as a Liaison Officer between the Department and the Federations. Consequently, he has to be well conversant with all guidelines and instructions issued from time to time to the Federations.

2.9.2 The Joint Secretary will advise the office bearers of the Federation about such guidelines and instructions.

2.9.3 The Joint Secretary will be responsible to ensure the all round efficient functioning of the office of the Federation, including timely submission of proposals for Government clearance/financial assistance and the like.

2.9.4 The Joint Secretary will help in preparing the annual accounts of the Federation and submitting the same to the Government well in time. In case there is likelihood of any delay in submitting such accounts by the Federation, the Joint Secretary shall inform the Government of the same with reasons there for.
3. Assistant Secretaries

3.1 In respect of Federations not covered under para 2.1 above, Government assistance will be limited to reimbursing the salary of a paid Assistant Secretary in the pay scale of Rs. 1400-40-1600-50-2300-EB-60-2600 plus Dearness Allowance. No House Rent Allowance, City Compensatory Allowance, Medical Allowance, Leave Travel concession or other allowances of any kind will be admissible to the Assistant Secretary. [Pay scale of Asstt. Secretary revised to Rs. 1640-60-2600-EB-75-2900 w.e.f. 1st April 94 vide Govt. of India, DYAS Letter No. F.6-3/93-SP IV dated 17-3-94.

3.2 Other conditions regarding recruitment will be the same as mentioned in para 2 above with the provision that "Assistant Secretary" may be read for "Joint Secretary", wherever the latter expression occurs.

4. Termination of the services of a Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary of the Federation

Prior approval of the Government in the Department of Youth Affairs & Sports shall be taken in respect of termination of the services of the Joint Secretary/Asstt. Secretary, approved under the Scheme of Assistance, if it is proposed to so terminate his services before the expiry of the period for which such assistance has been sanctioned by Government.

5. Federations are required to have the headquarters of the paid Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary at Delhi, to avail themselves of the reimbursement of his salary/allowances. For this purpose, the Federation shall have a proper Office at Delhi.

6. The proposal for release of financial assistance for reimbursing the salary of paid Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary shall be submitted by Federations in the prescribed proforma (Annexure) by January 15 each year for the salary for the financial year commencing from April of that year.

7. While the above orders will apply to new incumbents, the appointment of existing incumbents, if any, employed by the Federation would also need to be regularised through the selection procedure laid down herein. Hence the Federations may submit proposals in respect of such incumbents, if they want to avail of the assistance laid down herein.
8. These orders will be effective from August 1, 1988.

9. Receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Copy forwarded for information to:—
(1) Accountant General, Central Revenues (SPL. Cell), New Delhi.
(2) Accounts Officer, Pay & Accounts Office (Edn. and Sports)
(3) Secretary (Ya&S)
(4) FA (Ya&S)
(5) Finance Unit (SP) with three copies.
(6) Planning Commission (SP. Unit), New Delhi.
(7) D.G, SAI with 3 spare copies.
(8) Secretaries, All State Sports Councils.
(9) Director of Sports of All State/UT Govts.
(10) All Officers/Sections in Sports Division.

Sd/-

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Application for Obtaining Grant-in-Aid Towards the Salary of Joint Secretary/Asstt. Secretary Whose Salary is Paid by Government of India

1. Name of the Federation/Association.
2. Name of Joint Secretary/Asstt. Secretary.
3. Date of Birth
4. Date of Appointment
5. Scale of Pay
6. Present pay and the date from which the above pay is being drawn.
7. Date of next annual increment and pay on the date of next increment.
8. Total grant asked for (with break-up).
9. Whether the Joint Secretary/Asstt. Secretary availed of any leave without pay during the preceding financial year? If so, give details.
10. Has the Federation submitted the audited accounts with utilisation certificate for the preceding year's grant? If not, please attach requisite documents now?
11. Whether the Federation has deviated from Government instructions/guidelines issued from time to time during the calendar year preceding? If so, give details with reasons there for.
12. Brief summary of the work done by the Joint Secretary/Asstt. Secretary during the calendar year preceding.
13. Is the work and conduct of Joint Secretary/Assistant Secretary satisfactory?

Dated ............

President
No. F. 1-28/88-SP-IV
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Deptt. of Youth Affairs and Sports)

New Delhi: dated the 21st February, 1989

To

1. The Secretary General,
   Indian Olympic Association,
   JN Stadium, New Delhi.

2. The Hony. Secretaries of all
   National Sports Federations

Subject:—Guidelines to National Sports Federations for appointment to the post
of Joint Secretaries/Assistant Secretaries and Government assistance
there for.

Sir,

In continuation of this Department’s letter No.F. 1-27/86-D-I(SP) dated 3rd
September, 1988 on the above mentioned subject, I am directed to state that the
following Criteria be adopted for the appointment to the posts of Joint
Secretaries and Assistant Secretaries:

Qualifications for appointment of Joint Secretaries.

(i) Graduate with preference for Diploma/Degree in Business Management

(ii) Age below 35 years.

(iii) Participation in sports events in the concerned discipline at least at
    college university level. Possession of fair knowledge of rules and
    regulations of the sports discipline for which candidature is offered,

(iv) Ability to handle correspondence independently with Government embassies
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Qualifications for appointment of Asstt. Secretaries.

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of his experience of working in the Federation. If a new candidate has to be recruited, then the qualifications laid down will have to be followed.

3. For the recruitment of Joint Secretary, no automatic upgradation from Asstt. Secretary 1% to be allowed and the post must be advertised and the existing candidate, if otherwise suitable, should be given weightage on the basis of his experience of working in the Federation.

4. Procedure for Recruitment of Jr. Secretary/Asstt. Secretary

These posts will have to be advertised in at least 3 national level newspapers, both in English and Hindi. All the eligible candidates should be called for interview before the Selection Committee [as mentioned in para 2.6.1 of this Deptt’s letter No.F. 1-27/B6-D-I(SP) dated 3-9-1988]. The Selection Committee shall satisfy itself that all the eligible candidates have been called for interview by scrutinizing all the applications.

5. Receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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Sd/-

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated : 2nd May, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Grant of concession in fares to sportspersons for participating in tournaments organized By Basketball Federation of India (BFI) – regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to your OM No.TCH/2035/15/Basketball dated 15th January, 2016 on the subject noted above.

2. On previous occasions, in the case of Hockey and Gymnastics, this Ministry had requested for issue of railway concessions to the faction recognized by International Body (copies of the letters are enclosed).

3. In view of above, Ministry of Railways may allow railway concession to the players/teams recommended by the faction of the BFI which has the recognition of the International Body.

This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS (I/C), Youth Affairs & Sports.

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tele/Fax : 23382560

Shri Rohit Kumar,
Deputy Director, (TC-II,
Railway Board,
Ministry of Railways,
Rail Bhawan.)
Mr K. Govindaraj, elected President during the “Bangalore Annual General Council”
Mr Chander Mukhi Sharma, elected as Secretary General during the “Bangalore Annual General Council”
Ms Poonam Mahajan, elected as President during the “Pune Annual General Council”
Ms Roopam Harish Sharma, elected as Secretary General during the “Pune Annual General Council”

By email only

Reference: Status of the Basketball Federation of India

23 May 2015

Dear Sirs, Madams,

Further to our letter dated 7 April 2015 enquiring about the unacceptable situation which occurred within your basketball family whereby two elections were held during two different General Council meetings, we hereby would like to acknowledge receipt of the various submissions and supporting documents submitted by all parties involved.

Please note that after a thorough review of the BFI Constitution, the Election Guidelines issued by the Government of India (which both sides invoke), the two court orders issued by the High Court of New Delhi as well as the positions submitted by all sides and various observers, FIBA concludes that the Annual General Council Meeting held in Bengaluru on 27 March 2015 was summoned in accordance with the BFI Constitution.

Consequently, the result of the elections held in Bengaluru on 27 March 2015 is recognized by FIBA.

In this regard, we note that on 26 February 2015, a meeting of BFI Senior Officials was held in New Delhi during which the date and location of the Annual General Council Meeting were established to be on 27 March 2015 in Bengaluru. Two days later, the former BFI Secretary General issued a notice under the direction and agreement of the former BFI President to all affiliated units confirming that the General Council Meeting will be held on 27 March 2015 in Bengaluru.

However, on 2 March 2015, the former BFI Secretary General surprisingly issued another notice indicating a change of date and location for the General Council Meeting which would be held in Pune on 28 March 2015. Immediately thereafter, the former Secretary General resigned and subsequently confirmed in writing that his decision to resign was justified on moral grounds because the change of...
date and location was communicated by him without the necessary consent of the former BFI President.

On 4 March 2015, the former BFI President rectified the second notice and confirmed that the General Council would be held as previously indicated, i.e. on 27 March 2015 in Bengaluru. On the basis thereof, no other BFI official was allowed by Statutes or by law to organize another General Council Meeting. Rule IX of the BFI Constitution indeed underlines the competence of the BFI President to decide on the place and time of the General Council. This was also confirmed by the High Court of New Delhi in its order dated 26 March 2015. In this regard, the fact that, in his letter dated 4 March, the former BFI President quoted Rule X (a) of the BFI Constitution instead of Rule IX (a) cannot be accepted as a valid argument to consider his confirmation notice as null and void.

Further, the argument according to which the majority of affiliated units were in favour of holding the General Council meeting in Pune is legally irrelevant in this instance and may not under any circumstances be considered as having validly conveyed a statutory right to any other BFI Official to consider previous notices issued by the former BFI Secretary General and President as null and void and to proceed with the organization of a parallel General Council on a different date and in a different location than that decided beforehand and communicated to all affiliated units on 28 February and 4 March 2015. In addition, FIBA casts serious doubts on the legitimacy (let alone statutory validity) of a parallel General Council held without the outgoing President, Vice-President, Secretary General and Treasurer in attendance.

FIBA notes that submissions were made by both sides with regards to the appointment of the Returning Officer, the Electoral College list as well as the BFI office which was to be used during the registration process leading up to the General Council Meeting. In this regard, FIBA confirms that no concrete evidence was put forward which would question the validity altogether of the General Council held in Bengaluru.

Finally, FIBA regretfully notes that the files submitted to FIBA contain extremely serious allegations which may be subject to criminal proceedings in India as well as to proceedings under the FIBA Code of Ethics. In this respect, FIBA reserves its right to shed light on the allegations made and to initiate further proceedings should this matter not be settled within the basketball family in India and should the present decision not be accepted by all sides.

Based on the above, FIBA confirms that it recognizes the result of the elections held on 27 March 2015 in Bengaluru and requests that the President and Secretary General elected during that General Council meeting immediately meet with the group elected in Pune to settle this matter in a constructive manner and within the spirit of sport, keeping first and foremost the development of basketball in India and the good of the athletes in mind.

Please be informed that this correspondence is herewith copied to the Indian Olympic Association which had indicated by letter dated 17 April 2015 its support to the result of the elections held on 28
March in Pune. In this regard, the Indian Olympic Association is respectfully requested – in line with Rule 28 of the IOC Olympic Charter – to abide by FIBA’s present decision.

This decision is also copied to the esteemed Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports of the Government of India who is respectfully invited to provide all the necessary support to the BFI in order to ensure a smooth transition process and a healthy development of basketball in India.

Please note that our services remain at your entire disposal for any information needed in this matter. We confirm that a FIBA delegation will visit India soon to provide support to the BFI.

In the meantime, we would like to count on everyone’s cooperation to ensure that Indian Basketball remains out of political and legal conflicts and focuses on its future successes on the court.

Yours Sincerely,

Patrick Baumann
Secretary General

Cc: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports of the Government of India
    Indian Olympic Association
    Mr Horacio Muratore, FIBA President
    Sheikh Saud Bin Ali Al-Thani, FIBA Asia President
    Mr Hagop Khajirian, Regional Director for Asia
    Mr Zoran Radovic, FIBA NF & Sports Director
Mrs. Roopam Harish Sharma,
Secretary General,
Basketball Federation of India,
A-282, 1st Floor, Bhisham Pitamah Marg,
Defence Colony, New Delhi-110024

Subject: Indian Olympic Association- Recognition to Basketball Federation of India.

Madam,

This is in reference to the Annual General Council Meeting (Elective) regarding the Basketball Federation of India that was held on 28th March, 2015 at Hotel Holiday Inn, Hinjewadi, Pune, Maharashtra at 1230 hrs wherein the Observer of Indian Olympic Association Mr. Virendra D.Nanavati, Sr. Vice President, Observer of Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, Mr. Virendra Bhandarkar, Dy. Director, Sports Authority of India, West Zone, Training Centre, Marathwada University, Aurangabad and FIBA Observer Mr. Mageshwaran Saba attended the meeting which was presided over by Mr. Mukesh Vatsa, Ex-Judge, District Court, Delhi as the Returning Officer.

We have evaluated the report submitted pertaining to the conduct of the election for the new Office-Bearers of the Basketball Federation of India for the term 2015-19.

We are pleased to accept and concur the above report and conduct of the elections, hence Indian Olympic Association recognizes the Basketball Federation of India headed by Mrs. Poonam Mahajan, M.P. as President, Mrs. Roopam Harish Sharma as Secretary General and Mr. Mukut Medhi as the Treasurer of the Federation.

We wish the new team of BFI Office Bearers a successful tenure.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

R. Muthu
Secretary General

Copy to:
1. The Secretary, Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
2. The Director General, Sports Authority of India, New Delhi.
3. The Secretary General, FIBA, Geneva, Switzerland.
4. The Regional Director, Asia, FIBA, Beirut, Lebanon.
5. The President, Indian Olympic Association.
F.No.30-8/2009-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

To
Shri Rohit Kumar
Deputy Director, (TC-II)
Railway Board,
Rail Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 10th May, 2013.

Subject: Recognized National Federation for the sport of Gymnastics.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to Ministry of Railways: O.M. No. TCII/2035/13/Gymnastics dated 10.04.2013 on the subject cited above and to inform that as on today no NSF for Gymnastics is recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. There are 2 factions, one led by Mr. Jaspal Singh Kandhari and the other led by Mr. P.V. Rathee.

Gymnastics is an important sport. In CWG-2010 in Delhi, India have won medal in gymnastics. Though the Federation is not recognized due to dispute, but keeping in view the forthcoming CWG & Asian Games it is necessary to allow the players to participate in various events so as to make them ready for competition.

In view of above, Railway Ministry is requested to grant Railway concessions to the players recommended by the faction which has the recognition of the International Federation, as only such faction will be able to send entries for international events. Copy of an e-mail received from the International Federation in this regard is enclosed.

This issues with the approval of Secretary(Sports).

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Tele/Fax: 23382560
Shri Rakesh Rawat
Dy. Director (E)/Sports & Joint Secretary/RSPB
Ministry of Railways,
Railway Board,
Rail Bhavan,
New Delhi: 1

Subject: Recognized National Federation for the game of Hockey

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to Ministry of Railway's letter No.RSPB/HKY/Participation/2012-13, dated 23.1.13 on the above cited subject and to inform that the Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has not given recognition to any National Sports Federation (NSF) for the sport of hockey. It was further informed that FIH (International Federation of Hockey) recognizes Hockey India as the National body of India to field its team in the International events. It was conveyed by the Department to the Ministry of Railways vide letter of even number dated 14.12.2011 that Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its interim orders have ordered that Hockey India will field the men's and women's Hockey Teams in future games. Hockey India is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1980. The Government of India is also providing the requisite support to Hockey India in this regard. Hockey India is required to hold the national championships in its various categories for this purpose. Hockey India had requested the Government to recommend their case to Railway Board for grant of Railway concession to its teams to enable them to travel by rail for participation in national championships.

Accordingly, vide this office's letter of even number, dated 14.12.11, Railway Board was requested to grant railway concession to Hockey India for travel of its teams for participation in national championships (copy enclosed).

Present address of Hockey India is B1 / E3, Ground Floor, Mohan Co-operative Industrial Estate, (1 KM ahead of Mohan Estate Metro Station), Mathura Road New Delhi – 110044

This issues with the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully,

[A. K. Patro]
Under Secretary to the Government of India
F.No.57-1/2016-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

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New Delhi, the 26th May, 2016

To
Executive Director, Passenger Marketing,
Ministry of Railways (Railway Board),
Rail Bahvan, New Delhi-110001

Subject : Issuance of Railway Concession Certificate to the sportspersons of sport discipline for which no federation is recognized by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

Sir,

For development and promotion of sport in the country, railway concession is given by the Ministry of Railways to the sportspersons/teams, for participation in tournaments/championships organized by national level sports federations, having recognition of this Department and their affiliated state units, on production of requisite certificate signed by Hony. Secretary/Secretary General/General Secretary or the authorized signatory of the concerned sport federation, recognized by MYAS.

It has been brought to notice of this Ministry that the sportspersons/teams of those sports federations whose recognition is suspended/not extended by this Department, due to various reasons such as non-adherence to the Government guidelines, suspension by the international federation, dispute in the federation, etc. the athletes are not able to avail the railway concession. This is because the concession papers signed by the office bearers of such sports federations or the ad-hoc body formed by the concerned international federation or the Sports Authority of
India to look after such sports, are not honored by the Railways. This causes undue hardship to athletes.

To address this difficulty faced by the sportspersons/teams, the department proposes to authorize Executive Director (Teams) or any other senior officer from the Sports Authority of India to sign railway concession certificate of the sportspersons/teams of such sports disciplines whose recognition is either under suspension or withdrawn or not renewed.

Ministry of Railways is requested to convey their concurrence to the above proposal.

Yours faithfully,

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director(Sports)

Copy to:

Director General,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex,
Lodhi Road,
New Delhi-110003
No.F.9-28/2014/SP-II
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Dated: 16 June, 2016

To

The Presidents/Secretaries General of
All National Sports Federations,

Subject:- Safeguarding the interests of sports persons and provision of
effective Grievance Redressal System in the Constitution of
National Sports Federations.

Sir/Madam,

As you know, the Government of India has been, from time to time,
taking various steps and initiatives to promote good governance practices in
the management of sports at the national level. These are based on the Basic
Universal Principles of Good Governance of Olympic and Sports Movement
and do not interfere with the autonomy of National Sports Bodies, in
discharging their functions and duties in accordance with the International
Olympic Committee Charter. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
recognizes one sports federation at the national level for each sports being
played in the country. The NSFs are, in turn, responsible for promotion of
the sports concerned and for participation of sportspersons playing these
sports in international and national events. The Government supplements the
efforts of these recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs) by providing
them necessary financial assistance and various infrastructural and other
facilities. However, the Government does not interfere with the internal
functioning of these NSFs, duly recognizing their character, which owe their
origin in their registration as societies, associations or companies, etc., under
the relevant laws. These NSFs are expected to carry out, as per their own
constitutions/bye-laws, their day-to-day activities and functions of promoting
the sports concerned and safeguarding the interests of sports persons and
other support staff including coaches, referees, etc., involved in these
sports. The Government, however, has laid down certain guidelines which
the recognized NSFs have to observe and follow for securing recognition by
the Government as NSFs. For their convenience, these guidelines have all
been codified in the National Sports Development Code of India (NSCI) 2011, which has been effective from 31st January, 2011.

One of the important guidelines contained in the said NSCI lays special emphasis on the provision of an effective system and mechanism in the constitutions/bye-laws of the NSF’s for expeditious redressal of the grievances of the sportspersons and others involved in the sports concerned. Despite such specific emphasis on the above aspect in the NSCI, disputes often arise between the sportspersons and the managing committees, organizational committees, selection committees, etc., of NSF’s, where the affected persons feel aggrieved and often approach the Hon’ble High Courts seeking redressal of their grievances. In almost all such cases, the experience has shown that this Ministry is also unnecessarily made a party and impleaded as a respondent, though this Ministry has hardly any role to play in the settlement of such disputes which are basically internal matters of the NSF’s concerned.

Apart from the above, instances have also come to the notice of this Ministry where certain sports persons/coaches and others participating in international events, organized by the international controlling bodies of those sports, have been unjustly penalized or subjected to harsh disciplinary proceedings for trifling faults on their part. In such cases, it has been found that no mechanism has been provided in the constitutions of the NSF’s for taking of these matters either by the affected sportspersons or NSF’s concerned to the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS), and/or the International Council of Arbitration for Sports (ICAS) both situated at Lausanne, Switzerland, and which are the highest bodies at the international level to resolve sports-related disputes through arbitration and mediation. An examination of the constitution of the CAS and ICAS shows that these bodies entertain disputes only if the federations, associations or other sports related bodies, at the national and international levels, make specific provisions in their regulations for referring such matters to them or agree to such reference by specific agreement.

One such incident of an Indian sports person being harshly penalized by an International Sports Association took place recently attracting nationwide attention and which was even taken to the Hon’ble Delhi High Court by way of Writ Petition (C) No.8730 of 2014 (Rajiv Dutta Vs. Union of India and Ors.), as that matter could not be taken to the CAS for want of necessary provision in the constitution of the NSF concerned. While disposing of the
said writ petition, the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, by its order dated 15th January, 2016, directed this Ministry to consider the prayer of the petitioner that it is essential to ensure incorporation of a specific provision by the NSF's in their constitutions/bye-laws for dispute settlement of such matters by the CAS/ICAS.

Having considered the matter in its entirety, this Ministry hereby advises all NSF's to consider that –

(i) an effective, transparent and fair grievance redressal system and mechanism is provided by each NSF in its constitution/bye-laws for expeditious settlement of any disputes arising between the sports persons and/or support personnel and its various committees constituted for any special task; and

(ii) a specific provision is made by each NSF in its constitution/bye-laws to the effect that any sports person and/or support personnel aggrieved by any decision or action of an International Sports Association/ Federation imposing any penalty or punishment by way of disciplinary action or otherwise may raise that dispute before the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS) and/or the International Council of Arbitration for Sports (ICAS) either by himself/herself or through the NSF concerned.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and inform this Ministry about the action taken in the matter an early date.

Yours sincerely,

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
F. No. 8-5/2016-SP.III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Date: 20th June, 2016

To

The Director General,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex,
New Delhi.

Sub: Release of funds to the National Sports Federations – reg.

I am directed to refer to this Department’s letter of even number dated 28.03.2016 (copy enclosed) on the subject mentioned above and to say that it has been decided that performance of National Sports Federations (NSFs) with respect to implementation of ACTCs for ‘High Priority’ sports disciplines will be reviewed by this Ministry. Performance of NSFs belonging to rest of the categories of sports disciplines will be reviewed by SAI.

2. In view of the above, SAI is requested to seek a report, by the end of June 2016, from all the NSFs with regard to implementation of ACTCs during the first quarter of FY 2016-17. Except ‘High Priority’ sports disciplines, these reports may be reviewed by SAI and the reports sought from the concerned NSFs belonging to ‘High Priority Category’ may be sent to the Ministry for review with comments of SAI.

3. Based on the assessment / evaluation of performance of NSFs, the funds earmarked under ACTC are to be released to NSFs based on the review for the next quarter.

This has the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
Ph: 2338 3336

Encl: as above.
To

The Director General,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex,
New Delhi.

Subject:- Release of funds to the National Sports Federations-regarding.

Sir,

Please refer to the ACTC meetings held under the chairmanship of Secretary Sports/ Joint Secretary (Sports) for the year 2016-17. It has been decided that the funds will be released to National Sports Federations on quarterly basis. The performance of National Sports Federations will be reviewed at the level of Ministry/SAI on Quarterly basis. Based on the assessment of performance of NSFs, the allocation of funds earmarked under ACTC may be reviewed by the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

( Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda )
Director (Sports)

Copy to:-

1. President & Secretary General of all National Sports Federations of High Priority, Priority and General category.
To

1. ED (Teams) SAI.
2. NSFs recognised by MYAS (as per list attached).

Subject: Selection of medal prospects for 2020 Olympics - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to say that hon’ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Youth Affairs & Sports held a meeting with National Sports Federations (NSFs), inter-alia, regarding preparation for the 2020 Olympic Games. During the meeting, the need for identifying the medal prospects and giving them all support from now onwards was emphasized and it was also pointed out that the core probables need to be supported by dedicated world class support staff on a continuing basis to be able to work as a coherent team and deliver.

2. NSFs are, therefore advised to select medal prospects for the 2020 Olympic Games. The Selection Committee as prescribed under the National Sports Code 2011 may be used for the purpose. Support staff including Physios, Coaches, Video Analysts, Psychologists, Managers, etc. should also be identified.

3. The programme of training and exposures for the year 2017 should also be prepared. The NSFs should approach the National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) for any assistance required under the Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme.

4. In respect of the sports discipline(s) in which NSFs are suspended / not recognised by MYAS, the aforesaid exercise is to be undertaken by Sports Authority of India (SAI).

5. There should be a six monthly review of the performance of the said athletes. Inclusion/exclusion of athletes and their support staff may be done on the basis of the review.

6. There should be total transparency about the entire process of selection and review. This should be part of suo moto disclosure by the NSFs and details of the same put up on their websites.

7. NSFs/ SAI are advised to carry out the exercise of selection by 30th November 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Vivek Narayan
Director (Sports)
Telefax: 011-23384408
To,

The President,

I. Athletics Federation of India
II. Boxing Federation of India
III. Indian Golf Union
IV. Hockey India
V. Rowing Federation of India
VI. National Rifle Association of India
VII. Swimming Federation of India
VIII. Table Tennis Federation of India
IX. Indian Weightlifting Federation
X. Wrestling Federation of India
XI. Badminton Association of India

2. **Sports Authority of India (SAI),** in respect of the following sports disciplines in which recognized NSFs are suspended / not recognised:

I. Archery
II. Gymnastics
III. Judo
IV. Tennis

[Vivek Narayan]
(Vivek Narayan)
Director (Sports)

Copy for kind information to

1. PS to Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YA&S.
2. PS to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to DG SAI.
4. Joint Secretary (Dev.) / JS (Sports) MYAS
5. Dir (SPH), MYAS.
ORDER

Subject:- Reconstitution of Selection Committee for foreign coaches.

In supersession of previous Order of even number dated 29th April, 2013 on the subject mentioned above, it has been decided to reconstitute the Selection Committee for foreign coaches. The composition of the reconstituted Selection Committee shall be as under:

(i) Director General, SAI - Chairperson
(ii) Joint Secretary (Sports), MYAS - Member
(iii) Director / DS (Finance), MYAS - Member
(iv) Executive Director(Teams), SAI - Member
(v) Eminent player of the concerned Sports discipline * - Member
(vi) President or his Representative of concerned NSF - Member

* Eminent player will be nominated by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

2. This comes into force with immediate effect.

3. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Youth Affairs & Sports.

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. 23382560

1. Director General, SAI (He is also requested to select a representative of the concerned NSF against S. No. (vi) of the Committee in consultation with the concerned NSF and nominate the representative for a period of two years.

2. Joint Secretary (Sports), MYAS
3. Director / DS (Finance), MYAS
4. ED(Teams), SAI
5. NIC for uploading on the website of Department of Sports.

Copy for information to:
1. PS to Secretary (Sports)
2. Director (Sports), MYAS
3. Secretary, SAI
4. ED(Finance), SAI
5. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
No. F. 63-4/2001-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated: 28th November, 2016

To

The Secretary,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex,
New Delhi.

Sub: Appointment of foreign coaches in various sports disciplines through open advertisement – reg.

The existing procedure for appointment of foreign coaches in various sports disciplines has been reviewed in a meeting held on 28.10.2016 under the chairmanship of Hon’ble Minister of State (I/C), Youth Affairs & Sports. After detailed deliberation, it has been decided that with a view to strengthening the procedure of selection of foreign coaches and upgrade coaching standards in the country, NSF's will give requirement of foreign coaches based on which SAI will bring out an open advertisement seeking applications for appointment of foreign coaches. Such advertisement may be published on the website of the Ministry / SAI / NSF / international federation, newspapers, etc. After scrutiny of the applications by SAI, the matter will be placed before the foreign coach selection committee for scrutiny and examination. The recommendations of the committee will be sent to the Ministry by SAI for consideration. The decision of Ministry will be conveyed to SAI in due course.

2. Wherever it is decided to appoint a foreign coach, the contract agreement of the foreign coaches shall invariably include a component for development of Indian coaches and SAI will ensure its implementation. Necessary attention should also be paid by SAI to suitably train the Indian coaches so that our dependence on foreign coaches is reduced.

3. The other conditions / guidelines for appointment of foreign coaches issued vide letter of even number dated 15.04.2002 will remain unchanged.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
Ph: 2338 3336

Copy to: (1) PS to Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS
(2) PS to Secretary (Sports)
(3) PS to DG (SAI)
(4) PS to Joint Secretary (Sports)
(5) Director (SPH)
(6) ED (Teams), SAI
(7) President & Secretary General, National Sports Federations of High Priority, Priority and Others categories of sports disciplines

Under Secretary to the Government of India
F.No.8-32/2014-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 22nd December, 2016

To
Shri G. Rajaraman,
Director,
School Sports Promotion Foundation,
315/274, Westend Marg,
Sa'id ul Ajab, New Delhi- 110030

Sub:- Grant of recognition to School Sports Promotion Foundation as a National Sports Promotion Organization (NSPO)

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 26.09.2016 seeking recognition of the government as National Sports Promotion Organization for promotion of sports in schools and conduct of National Talent and nurture competitions across the states. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports agrees to recognize the School Sports Promotion Foundation (SSPF) as a National Sports Promotion Organization, for promoting sports at the school level.

2. The recognition is granted subject to observance of the following terms and conditions:-

a) SSPF will follow the guidelines on transparency and good governance as contained in the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011.

b) Various instructions issued by the Ministry, from time to time, including the age and tenure criteria, for holding the offices of the organisation shall be observed. The required changes in provisions/amendments to the MOA/Deed of the organisation will be made by it within a year.

c) The Foundation shall give at least two months’ advance notice to the Union Government for any change in its constitution. The copy of the existing Constitution and the proposed changes should invariably be sent along with the notice.

d) The Foundation must maintain its accounts as per the Mercantile System of accounting. The Accounting year should be from 1st April to 31st March. The books of accounts shall always be open to inspection by authorized representatives of the Union Government.

e) The accounts of the Foundation must be audited by a practising Chartered Accountant. Audited Statement of account should be sent to the Union Government within six months from the date of expiry of the accounting year.

f) The Foundation must scrupulously abide by the guidelines of the Govt. issued from time to time, for the conduct of Championships, drawing of advance calendar for holding Championships, players’ grievance redressal system, etc.
g) The Foundation should also abide by the directions of the Union Govt. issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of sports among physically challenged sportspersons or its players or Public in general.

h) The Foundation shall scrupulously follow the Ministry’s guidelines on RTI applicability and suo-moto disclosure of information on its website and appointment of a Public Information Officer and an Appellate Authority.

i) The Foundation shall ensure strict compliance with the Government guidelines to prevent unethical practices in sports such as age fraud, prevention of sexual harassment of women in sports, Anti-doping, issuance of identify cards to sportspersons etc.

j) Provisions for adequate representation of renowned sportspersons in the management and various committees set up by the foundation has to be made.

3. The recognition to the Foundation as NSPO may be withdrawn if:

   a) any of the terms and conditions of the recognition are violated;
   b) its own Constitution is violated;
   c) directions issued by the Union Govt. are not complied with as required;
   d) in the opinion of the Union Govt., the Foundation is not functioning properly;
   e) the recognition has been obtained by submitting false information or by misrepresentation of facts.
   f) If the organization is not able to achieve the desired objective.

4. Financial assistance will not be provided by the Ministry to SSPF for its regular activities. However, for specific important activities the Ministry may consider extending financial assistance. The organization may avail the support of Sports Authority of India for use of the facilities, logistics and technical support, etc. on mutually agreed terms between SAI and SSPF.

5. NSPO status to SSPF is granted for one year in the first instance which could be renewed based on its performance.

6. This comes into force with immediate effect.

7. This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) Youth Affairs and Sports.

Yours faithfully

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Copy to:-

1. PS to Hon'ble MOS (I/C) Youth Affairs and Sports, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
2. PS to Director General, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex., Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.
3. Secretary, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.
4. PS to Secretary (Sports)
5. PS to JS(Sports)
6. PS to JS(Devlopment)
7. Dir(SPH)/Dir(VN)
8. All Under Secretaries and Section Officers of the Department of Sports.
9. NIC for placing the order on the website of the Ministry.

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
It has been decided with the approval of competent authority to constitute a Coordination Committee for improving the standards of and increase participation in sports competitions at school level, composition of which is given below:

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2. With the permission of Chairperson any person can be invited for the meeting as special invitee. Such invitees may be from NGOs, Academics, sportspersons, corporate houses etc.

This issue with the approval of Minister of State (Independent Charge) Youth Affair and Sports.

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Ph. 23382560
To
1. Secretary, D/o School Education, MHRD
2. Director General, Sports Authority of India
3. Education Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh
4. Education Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh
5. Education Secretary, Government of Bihar
6. Education Secretary, Government of Gujarat
7. Chairman, Central Board of Secondary Education
8. Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
9. Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council
10. Deputy Secretary, Indian School Certificate Examinations
11. President, School Games Federation of India
12. Chairman, Sainik School Society
13. Secretary General, Subroto Mukerjee Sports Education Society
14. Secretary General, Jawaharlal Nehru Hockey Tournament Society

Copy to:
PPS to MOS(IC) YAS
PS to Secretary (Sports)
PS to Joint Secretary (Sports)
PS to Director (Sports)

(A.K.Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Order

In continuation to this Department’s Order of even number dated 29.12.2016 vide which a Coordination Committee for improving the standards of and increase participation in sports competitions at school level was constituted. It has been decided to add one representative each from the following organizations as members of the said Coordination committee.

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The above organizations are requested to intimate the names of the representative.

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 2338 2560
Email: ak.patro@nic.in

To
1. Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti
2. General Secretary, DAV Education Society
3. General Secretary, Vidya Bharati Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Sansthan
4. Chairman, Indian Public Schools’ Conference
5. All members

Copy to:
PPS to MOS(IG) YAS
PS to Secretary (Sports)
PS to Joint Secretary (Sports)

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
No.9-31/2014-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

To
Secretary,
Sports Authority of India,
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003

Sub:- Instructions for National/International championships being conducted in India - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to inform that vide letter 12-5/2014-SP-III dated 22.11.2016, this Department has decided to allow financial assistance to the National Sports Federations (NSFs) of "Others" category sports disciplines to organize national championships (copy enclosed as Annexure-I). Consequently, a large number of NSFs of others category would be seeking financial assistance from Sports Authority of India (SAI).

2. Till the year 2013-14 when the Ministry was releasing grants for such events, a check list was devised for calculating the entitlement and to monitor the utilization of the amount. A copy of the same is enclosed as Annexure-II, for guidance.

3. Vide letter of even number dated 23rd April, 2015 (copy enclosed as Annexure-III) guidelines for providing Sports Infrastructure/facilities to players & officials during the national championships & international tournaments held in India was also issued. This may be reiterated to the NSFs for compliance.

4. While utilization of funds by NSFs is required to be monitored by SAI, it is also necessary to look for fresh and young talent from the national championships who can be nurtured to be medal prospects for major international events. To achieve this objective, it has now been decided in the Ministry that apart from meeting of the guidelines mentioned therein by National Sports Federation, Sports Authority of India will depute its coach to each national/international championships conducted in India for 'High Priority' and 'Priority' category sports disciplines for observing the facilities, identifying talent, etc. However, main role of the coach so deputed will be identification of talent who and submit report to Executive Director (Teams), SAI with special emphasis whether any young/budding players having talent could be included in any of
t...e Schemes of SAI/Ministry for future training and to be a medal prospect for the country.

5. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23382560

Copy to:-

1. PS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports).
3. DG, Sports Authority of India, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
4. ED (Teams), Sports Authority of India, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
5. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, Olympic Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Director (Sports)/DS (Sports)
7. US (SP-II&IV)/US SP-V/US SP-VI.
8. SO (SP-II&IV)/SO SP-III/SO SP-V/SO SP-VI.
9. Sh. Alok Deshwal, DPIO
F.No.12-5/2014-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 22nd November 2016

To

The Secretary General,
Indian Olympic Association

The Secretary General
All recognized National Sports Federation.

Sub:- Restoration of financial assistance to sports disciplines in ‘Others’ category.
- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey that financial assistance to the NSF’s of ‘Others’ category sports disciplines, for holding national championships, was withdrawn vide order dated 07-04-2014. The matter has been reviewed and it has been decided to restore financial assistance for such championships to the NSF’s of ‘Others’ category sports disciplines. The scale of assistance will be as per the revised scheme notified vide order no.12-5/2013-SP-III dated 04-11-2015 which is as under:-

1. Rs.5.00 lakhs for Senior
2. Rs.7.00 lakhs for Junior
3. Rs.10.00 lakhs for Sub-Junior

2. This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (sports)
Tel No.23383336

Copy to:-
1. PS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. PS to DG (SAI)
3. PS to JS (Sports)
4. Director (SPH)/ Director (VN)
5. US (SP-II)/ US (SP-IV)/ US(SP-V)
6. SO (SP-I)/SO (SP-II)/ SO (SP-III)/ SO (SP-IV)/SO (SP-V)
7. ED (Teams) SAI
8. NIC, for placing it on the website of the Ministry
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<td>Date of the Championship</td>
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<td>Total admissible grant</td>
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<td>Are any of its office bearers holding offices in any other recognized NSFs? If so, details.</td>
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<td>Has NSF amended its bye-laws in compliance of MYAS guidelines dt. 1.5.2010 w.r.t to tenure limit and age cap?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Comments of the Section</td>
<td>We may consider for sanction of Rs.3.00 lakh and release of Rs2,25,000/- to Handball Federation of India</td>
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F.R. is a proposal from

requesting for release of 2nd installment towards conducting

at ___________ from ___________ to ___________ As per norms, Federation was entitled for a grant of Rs. ___________ for conducting a Championship, out of which the first installment as an advance grant of ___________ for holding this Championship was released vide p. ___________/a and p. ___________/cor.

2. The Federation has now submitted the audited statement of account along with auditors note (p. ___________/cor.), utilisation Certificate in respect of installment (p. ___________/cor.) and performance report (p. ___________/cor.) of the Championship. All the documents submitted by Federation are countersigned and signed by Secretary General/President. On the basis of U.C. furnished by the Federation this Ministry has to issue U.C. to PAO (Sports) as per fair UC letter placed below.

3. The expenditure incurred by the Federation as per audit statement of account (p. ___________/cor.) on admissible items and their admissibility as per Guidelines as under:-

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No. 9-31/2014-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 23rd April, 2015

To

The President & General Secretary/Secretary General,
to all Recognised National Sports Federations (NSFs)

Sub:- Guidelines for providing Sports Infrastructure/facilities to players & officials during the national championships & international tournaments held in India.

Sir,

The Ministry is implementing the Scheme of "Assistance to National Sports Federations" through Sports Authority of India (SAI), under which, assistance is provided to the recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs) for conducting various championships in India, participation of Indian teams in international championships abroad, conducting coaching camps for the national team, engagement of foreign coaches etc.

2. As per the existing guidelines of the Government, it is mandatory for all National Sports Federations to conduct National Championships every year for Senior (Men & Women), Junior (Boys & Girls) and Sub-Junior (Boys & Girls) categories. Some NSFs are also conducting zonal championships and international tournaments in India. It is incumbent upon the NSFs to conduct the championships in India by drawing the calendar of events, well in advance, so that such championships can be conducted smoothly and efficiently.

3. From time to time, this Ministry has been receiving complaints from various quarters that the basic minimum facilities are not provided to sportspersons during the various championships/tournaments conducted by NSFs. The primary responsibility for organizing the events rests with the NSFs. It is incumbent upon them to take all measures for smooth conduct of the championships with a vision to empower the athletes to reach their optimum potential.

4. All NSFs are therefore directed to adopt the following measures for organizing tournaments, as the responsibility lies on NSFs for their organization, supervision and conduct in every aspect:

**Playing Arena:**

i. The tournaments/championships should be held in such stadia, indoor halls etc which are easily accessible to the athletes. In case, the event is for differently abled athletes, the facilities should be disabled-friendly and all the basic facilities should be available for sportspersons.

ii. The representatives of all the NSFs should reach the venue of championship at least two days before the event to ensure that all the facilities are in place.

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iii. Proper resting place should be arranged so that the athletes can rest during the break time.

iv. Clean drinking water should be arranged.

v. Arrangement for tea/coffee and snacks should be made.

vi. Neat and clean toilets including disabled friendly toilets should also be provided in sufficient numbers.

vii. Separate change rooms for boys and girls should be provided.

Residential Area:-

i. NSF should ensure that neat and clean lodging facilities, adequately equipped with toilets including disabled friendly toilets and purified drinking water are available.

ii. The rooms should be airy with proper light and fans (wherever possible ACs/coolers may be provided).

iii. The accommodation to be provided to the players should not be over-crowded. Preferably, two to three players/officials should be accommodated in one room depending upon the size of each room.

iv. Bedding with neat and clean linen should be provided to the players/officials.

v. Hygienic and healthy food should be provided to the players/officials preferably in disposable plates and glasses.

Common Provisions:-

i. Proper transport facilities for the players/officials from the place of stay to the venue of championship should be ensured to enable the players to reach the venue well in time.

ii. Players' Grievance Cell should be created and notified by NSFs before the start of each championship so that any complaint from players could be attended to on top-priority basis, keeping in view the interest of sportspersons.

iii. Responsible officials should be designated to remain available for the entire duration of the events so that the players can approach them for their needs. Their contact details including e-mail I.D. and mobile numbers should be available on the website of the NSF and displayed prominently at the venue.

iv. First aid facilities should be kept ready at all times.

Contd...
5. The compliance of the above guidelines is mandatory and forms part of National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 (NSDCI).

6. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No. 23382560

Copy to:-

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2. PPS to Secretary (Sports).
3. DG, Sports Authority of India, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
4. ED (Teams), Sports Authority of India, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
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8. SO (SP-II&IV)/SO SP-III/SP SP-V/SP SP-VI.
9. Sri Alok Kumar, BPho
To
President and Secretary General of all recognized NSFs

Subject: Adopting of online system of SGFI (School Games Federation of India) for receiving entries to participate in championship-reg

Sir,

With a view to streamlining and adopting a transparent method in selection and participation of players/teams in various competitions held at district/state/national level, it is desirable to accept the entries of the players/teams through online mode. Hence, it is considered necessary that all NSFs should develop online systems for accepting such entries. At present, School Games Federation of India (SGFI) is adopting the practice of accepting the entries through online mode only for its national level championships.

2. NSFs are advised to take assistance from SGFI for development & maintenance of their online system. SGFI has been advised to provide necessary assistance to the NSFs, if approached by them.

3. The system of accepting entries for the competitions should be implemented within 3 months and all the NSFS are required to migrate to online system within this period. After 3 months, sending and accepting entries should be through online mode only and in no case entries through physical mode should be accepted.

A compliance report shall be submitted by the NSFs to the Ministry, on the action taken by them, before 31.05.2017.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K.Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 2338 2560

Copy to: SGFI for necessary action

Copy also to:-
1. PS to MOS(I/C) YAS
2. SO to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to JS(Sports)/Director (SPH)
4. NIC to place it on website
F.No. 9-19/2015-SP-1
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 15th March, 2017

To
Secretary General,
School Games Federation of India,
Directorate of Education (Sports),
Chhattrasal Stadium,
G.N.C.T. of Delhi Model Town,
Delhi-110009

Subject: Inclusion of Sports disciplines in the calendar of SGFI- matter regarding.

Sir,

In the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 (NSDCI) conditions for grant of recognition as NSFs have been laid down. While considering the requests in respect of sports disciplines for grant of recognition as NSF, following factor, inter-alia, are taken into consideration:

1. Popular Indigenous Games with All India spread
2. Popular School, College and University Sports
3. Likelihood of inclusion in major International games like Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, etc
4. Availability of required infrastructure
5. Affordability of the game
6. Availability of coaches

2. It has been noticed that SGFI has included a large number of sports disciplines in its calendar which are not included in the Olympics, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games and other major multi-disciplinary events. As a result the federations of such sports disciplines are approaching this Ministry time and again for grant of recognition as NSF. Hence, SGFI is advised to obtain the approval of this Ministry before including any new sport in their regular calendar for which competitions are held. However, in view of promotion of upcoming/new sports, SGFI may include those as ‘Demonstration’ sport in its calendar. Moreover, all those games that fail to attract less than 6 teams for two consecutive years may be dropped.

3. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully

(A.K Patro)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
F.No.21-6/2015-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 4th February, 2016

To

The General Secretary
All India Carrom Federation,
C-457, DDA Flats, Pocket-11,
Jasola Vihar, New Delhi-110025.

Sub:- Election of All India Carrom Federation held on 29-11-2015 at Guwahati (Assam)- matter reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 07-12-2015 on the subject noted above. The election report has been examined. It has been noticed that the last election of the Federation was held on 22-07-2012. Hence in the normal course the elections were due in July, 2016. However, the Federation decided to hold their election on 29-11-2015.

2. It has been observed that on 26-10-2015, the returning Officer issued notice for preparation of the Electoral College.

3. As per the provisions of the Model Elections Guidelines of the Sports Code, the President/Secretary General of Federation shall prepare the list of the authorised representatives of the Member States/UTs/Boards/Institutions in Form 1, and circulate a copy of the list so prepared by him to all Member States/UTs/Boards/Institutions. It has also been provided in the Sports Code that the President/Secretary General shall also furnish a duly authenticated copy of the list mentioned in sub-clause (5) of the model election guidelines to the RO as soon as may be after his appointment by the President of the Federation.

4. Therefore, at the time of appointment of the RO i.e. on 19/10/2015 the Electoral College was not prepared by the President/Secretary of the Federation as required under the provisions of the election guidelines of the Sports Code. Consequently, the RO was not provided with the copy of the Electoral College. This

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necessitated the RO to prepare the Electoral College. Hence, there is violation of the election guidelines of the Sports Code from the beginning.

5. Further, vide letter dated 5/7/2015 AICF has informed that Shri P.S. Bachher, General Secretary of the Federation was suspended by the working committee and Shri S. Uday Kumar will be working as In-charge/Acting General Secretary. However, the elections notice was issued by Shri P.S. Bachher and the elections were held in pursuance of that notice.

6. Therefore, the elections of the All India Carrom Federation held on 29-11-2015 at Guwahati cannot be considered to be held in a fair and transparent manner and in accordance with the provisions of the Sports Code.

7. In view of the above, it has been decided that the result of the elections held on 29/11/2015 is not valid due to violation of the election guidelines of the Sports Code. Therefore, the Federation is directed to hold its elections afresh. Since the previous body has its tenure upto July, 2016, the elections are to be held before that. The Federation is also advised to hold its elections at a place other than Guwahati.

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23382560

Copy to-

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, Khel Bhawan, New Delhi- 110003.

2. Sh. Rakibul Hussain, President, All India Carrom Federation, Hon’ble Minister for Panchayat and Rural Development Deptt., Govt. of Assam, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati-781006.
F.No.9-7/2014-SP-I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001  
Dated the 9th March, 2016  

To  

The Secretary,  
Sports Authority of India,  
Khel Bhawan, Lodhi Road,  
New Delhi-110003  

Sub:- Renewal of annual recognition to National Sports Federations (NSFs) for the year 2016.  

Sir,  

It has been decided with the approval of the competent authority to renew the annual recognition for the year 2016 i.e. upto 31st December, 2016 to the 46 NSFs indicated in the list at Annexure-I. Accordingly, these NSFs are eligible to receive various assistance from the Government of India including railway concessions etc., as may be admissible to them during the aforesaid period of their recognition.  

2. Each of the NSFs listed in the Annexure-I are required to upload documents as per the list enclosed as Annexure-II on their website within one month of issue of this letter and report compliance in this regard along with their website address. Non-compliance in this regard may result in cancellation of this renewal without notice and without any liability on MYAS.  

3. This issues with the approval of the Hon'ble MOS (IC) YAS.  

Yours faithfully,  

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)  
Director (Sports)  

Encl:- Annexure-I (46 NSFs).  
Annexure-II (Documents to be uploaded by NSFs).  

Copy to:-  

1. PS to Hon'ble MOS (IC) YAS.  
2. President /Secretary General or General Secretary of all the NSFs in Annexure-I.  
Copy also for information and necessary action to:-

1. DG, NADA.
2. E.D.(Teams)/ED(Finance), SAI, Khel Bhawan, New Delhi
3. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial @ - II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi for necessary action.
5. Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), North Block, New Delhi.
7. NIC, MYAS for placing the same on the website of the Ministry.
8. Director (Finance), Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.
9. US (SP-II & IV)
10. US (ID)/ US (PYKKA)
11. Section Officer (SP-II)/ (SP-III)/ (SP-IV)/ (SP-V)/ (SP-VI)/ (Fin).

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
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Documents required to be submitted by National Sports Federations annually for automatic renewal of Government recognition.

1. Certified copy of valid registration certificate.
2. Details of elections, if held, during the last calendar year. Certified copy of the management of Federation and its remaining tenure.
3. Documents in support of recognition of International/Asian Body.
4. Copy of the Constitution/MOA, if not already submitted in response to this office letter No.F.9-69/2009-SP-II dated 12.11.09. Changes made, if any, may be highlighted.
5. Annual Report/Audited Accounts of the last financial year.
6. Notifying/updating the Selection Committee for national athletes for the next calendar year.
7. Note on efforts for having dope free sports and compliance to WADA/NADA Code along with details of cases found positive during the last calendar year and action taken thereon.
8. Details of holding of national championships conducted during the current calendar year.
9. Calendar for national championships to be held in the next calendar year.
10. Note regarding updating the Web-site.
12. Details of funds received from other sources, including private sponsors, public sector undertakings, State Governments, etc.
To

The President,
Indian Triathlon Federation,
Khivraj Complex-II, 2nd Floor,
No.480, Anna Salai, Nandanam,
Chennai-600035 (Chennai)

Sub: Grant of Recognition to Indian Triathlon Federation (TFI).

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 27/2/2015 on the subject mentioned above. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports agrees to recognize the Indian Triathlon Federation as a National Sports Federation with immediate effect.

2. This recognition means granting a major role to the Indian Triathlon Federation for promotion and development of Triathlon sport in India.

3. The recognition is granted subject to continued observance of the following terms and conditions:-

a) The Office-bearers of the Federation shall invariably be appointed by election as per the Model Election Guidelines issued by the Ministry. The various instructions issued by the Ministry, from time to time, including the age and tenure criteria, for holding the elective offices of the Federation shall be scrupulously followed. No person shall be allowed to hold the offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer (by whatever corresponding designation they are known) for more than the period prescribed in the Ministry’s instructions.

b) The Federation shall give at least two months’ advance notice to the Government for any change in its constitution. The copy of the existing Constitution and the proposed changes should invariably be sent along with the notice.

c) The Federation must maintain its accounts as per the Mercantile System of accounting. The Accounting Year should be from 1st April to 31st March. The books of accounts shall always be open to inspection by authorized representatives of the Union Government.

d) The accounts of the Federation must be audited by a practicing Chartered Accountant. Audited Statement of account should be sent to the Union Govt. within six months from the date of expiry of the accounting year.

e) The Federation must scrupulously abide by the guidelines of the Govt. issued from time to time, for the conduct of National Championships, drawing of advance calendar for holding National Championships, players grievance system in the management of the federations, etc.
f) The Federation shall have corresponding State/UT bodies affiliated to it in all the State/UTs within two years from the date of this recognition.

g) The Federation should also abide by the directions of the Union Govt. issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of sports among physically challenged sportspersons or its players or Public in general.

h) The Recognition can be reviewed by the Govt. in case Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the Indian Triathlon Federation or its other practices come into conflict with the Govt. Guidelines as amended from time to time.

i) Ministry’s Guidelines for selection procedure shall be followed by ITF The tournaments shall be held for Men & Women at all levels i.e. National, State, District level for Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior categories.

j) The Federation shall scrupulously follow the Ministry’s guidelines on RTI applicability and suo-moto disclosure of information on its website and appointment of a Public Information Officer and an Appellate Authority.

k) The Federation shall ensure strict compliance of the Government guidelines to prevent unethical practices in sports such as age fraud, prevention of sexual harassment of women in sports, Anti-doping, issuance of identify cases to sportspersons etc.

4. The Triathlon is placed in the ‘others’ category.

5. The recognition may be withdrawn if:

i) any of the terms and conditions of the recognition are violated;
ii) its own Constitution is violated;
iii) directions issued by the Union Govt. are not complied with as required;
iv) in the opinion of the Union Govt., the Federation is not functioning properly;
v) the recognition has been obtained by submitting false information or by mis-representation of fact;
vii) the concerned International Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the Federation.

6. This grant of recognition is subject to compliance of the Provisions of National Sports Development Code of India, 2011, as modified from time to time, by the Federation including displaying information on their website as per the Sports Code

Yours faithfully,

(Onkar Kedia)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

.....3/-
Copy to:-

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.

2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.

3. ED (Teams), SAI, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.

4. DPIO (Sports), Room No.130, ‘A’ Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

5. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial (R-II), Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi – Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations.

6. Department of Personnel & Training (Under Secretary, Pay-I), North Block, New Delhi. Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations.

(Onkar Kedia)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India
F.No.78-3/2015-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 1st Jume, 2016.

ORDER


Sh. Sudhir Kumar in his capacity as Secretary General issued a notice on 24th December, 2015, fixing the schedule for election of the President and two vacant posts of Vice-President on 18th February, 2016 at Indore and also appointed Sh. P.D.Maran, retired District and Sessions Judge as the Returning Officer for the said elections. Sh. Pankaj L. Mohanty objected to the issue of this notice dated 24th December, 2015, by the Secretaty General on the ground that Sh. Sudhir Kumar had appointed the returning officer without consulting him (Sh. Mohanty). This Ministry also observed that as per the Federation’s constitution, Secretary General could not appoint the returning officer without consulting the President/Acting President of the Federation.

The Ministry, therefore, asked Sh. Sudhir Kumar to clarify, inter-alia, as to who had approved the appointment of the returning officer. In reply, Sh. Sudhir Kumar stated that as there was no President and both the Vice-Presidents were fighting with each other claiming to be the Acting President, he appointed Sh. Maran as the Returning Officer for the election and issued the election notification on 24th December, 2015, so as to complete the process.

2. Vide letter dated 31-12-2015, ABFI was informed that the Secretary General has no powers to appoint the Returning Officer without consulting the President/Acting President of the Federation. Secretary General vide his letter dated 06-01-2016 informed that he took the unilateral decision of appointing the Returning Officer. Sh. Sudhir Kumar was directed to hold the elections in consultation with Sh. Mohanty, Acting President, Sh. Sudhir Kumar should have honored the direction issued by the Ministry.

3. Since, the appointment of Returning Officer had not been done as per the provisions of Sports Code and the election schedule as notified by Sh. Sudhir Kumar hardly giving sufficient time to the candidates to campaign it was advised that the election notice dated 14-12-2015 issued by the Secretary General of ABFI be withdrawn by him. Also, both the factions of ABFI were advised vide letter dated 16-02-2016 to finalize a suitable person who can function as Returning Officer and that the election should be conducted as per the Model Election guidelines incorporated in the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 and the same may be completed within two months.

4. The aforesaid letter dated 16.02.2016 was submitted before the Hon’ble Court by the petitioner. Hon’ble High Court vide order dated 28.04.2016 has disposed off the above writ petition with the following direction:-

\[Signature\]
“UOI to appoint the Returning Officer on or before 13th May, 2016 and to ensure that the elections are held on or before 31st August, 2016. If the names of the Returning Officer are not provided within prescribed time, the UOI is at liberty to proceed with the appointment of the Returning Officer.”

5. Pursuant to the order of the Hon’ble High Court the following names has been suggested:

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6. It has been noticed that the factions of ABFI have not been able to finalize a common name for Returning Officer. It is also noticed that the the last elections of the management were held in January, 2017. Since there is a dispute in the management of ABFI and the full elections would become due in the normal course in January, 2017, it has been decided to hold the elections for the whole management of ABFI through an independent Returning Officer.
7. Therefore, it has been decided to appoint Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan as the Returning Officer to conduct the elections of ABFI. The elections will be held in Delhi/New Delhi and in accordance with the provisions of the Sports Code and the Model Election Guidelines. The terms and conditions of the remuneration is to be mutually agreed upon by ABFI and Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan. ABFI is directed to contact Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan immediately to work out the elections schedule, terms and conditions of remuneration, etc. so as to complete the selection process within the time limit given by Hon’ble Delhi High Court. The expenditure for the elections is to be borne by ABFI.

(A.K. Patro)
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Email: ak.patro@nic.in

To
Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan,
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New Delhi – 110 065.
Mob: 98180 00240
Email: seakaym@gmail.com

Shri Pankaj Lochan Mohanty,
Acting President,
Amateur Baseball Federation of India,
B-IV/317 B, Keshavpuram,
New Delhi – 110 035.

Shri Sudhir Kumar,
Secretary General,
Amateur Baseball Federation of India,
#3, Industrial Estate, Chambaghat,
Solan, Himachal Pradesh – 173 213
ORDER

Sub: Restoration of Recognition to the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) as the National Sports Federation for Promotion of Sports amongst the Physically Challenged Sports persons in the Country.

The issue of grant of recognition to a duly constituted National Sports Federation representing Paralympic Games in India was under consideration by the Government for some time.

2. In April, 2015 the International Paralympic Committee (the international body responsible for promotion of sports among para athletes to which PCI is affiliated) suspended PCI with immediate effect for an unlimited period of time. Government of India also suspended PCI vide its letter dated 22nd April, 2015 and the annual recognition for the year 2016 was not granted to it.

3. Subsequently, Ministry keeping in mind the interest of para-athletes of the country took up the matter with IPC regarding participation of Indian para-athletes in various IPC sanctioned tournaments and requested that Sports Authority of India be allowed to look after the affairs/interest of para-athletes including fielding of Indian teams in various IPC sanctioned sports events to which IPC agreed.

4. The Ministry was informed that PCI was conducting an Extraordinary General Body Meeting on 8th October, 2015 at Hotel Rajhans, Surajkund (NCR Delhi) for holding fresh elections to the executive body of PCI. Government was also requested to depute an Observer to the said elections. An Observer was deputed to the said elections of PCI who in his report informed that elections were conducted under the supervision of Justice Dr. Satish Chandra (former Judge of...
Allahabad High Court) as Returning Officer and Shri Anirudh Singhal, observer from the International Paralympic Committee. IPC was informed about the said elections and report of the Government observer was also sent to them. Also, a delegation comprising Joint Secretary (Sports) and Director General, Sports Authority of India held a meeting with the officials of IPC in Bonn on 24th May, 2016.

5. IPC vide its letter dated 31st May, 2016 and letter dated 03.06.2016 decided to lift the suspension of PCI and confirmed recognition of the newly elected office bearers of PCI led by Mr. Rao Inderjit Singh.

6. PCI has also informed vide its letter dated 26.10.2015 that the Registrar of Societies has accepted the elections of its body held on 08.10.2015 where the office bearers led by Mr. Rao Inderjit Singh were elected. A copy of the acceptance by the Registrar of Societies, Bangalore has also been furnished.

7. Taking all relevant and material facts into consideration and due examination of the various issues involved as enumerated aforesaid this Ministry is of the considered view that there are just and sufficient grounds to grant recognition to PCI by lifting the suspension so that a National Sports Federation (NSF) for para athletes is put in place. Ministry vide its letter dated 8th June, 2016 sought the details of office bearers of PCI elected on 08.10.2015. After examining the details and in view of the fact that the Federation has conducted the election as per the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 and the Govt. Observer has informed that the elections were held in a free, fair and peaceful manner as per laid down procedures under the Sports Code, the elections held by PCI on 08-10-2015 at Surajkund, Faridabad are considered as valid.

8. Thus, based on the results of the elections of PCI held on 08.10.2015 Government hereby restores recognition to Paralympic Committee of India as a National Sports Federation for promotion of sports amongst the physically challenged sports persons in the Country. The details of following office bearers are noted in the records of the Ministry:-

   President                      Shri Rao Inderjit Singh (1st tenure)
   Secretary General             Shri J. Chandrashekar (2nd Tenure)
   Treasurer                     Shri Dinesh Kumar Upadhyay (1st Tenure)

9. Further, it has been noticed that the elections of Shri S.P. Sangwan, Vice President and Shri Girraj Singh, Executive Committee Member are not valid as per Sports Code as they do not fulfil the criteria of tenure clause of office bearers.
related to Government Servants. As per the provisions of the Sports Code, Government employees (State/Central) can hold any elective post in District/State/National level sports bodies for one term or four years whichever is less. While Shri S.P. Sangwan has been elected to an elective post for the 2nd term, Shri Girraj Singh has held an elective post in the Sate body of PCI. Hence, their elections cannot be held as valid as per the provisions of the Sports Code. Hence, they may be asked to demit the office. PCI, if it so desires, may fill up the posts vacated by them as per the provisions of the National Sports Development Code of India.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tele/Fax: 2338 2560.

1. Shri Rao Inderjit Singh,
   President,
   Paralympic Committee of India.

2. Shri J. Chandrashekar,
   Secretary General,
   Paralympic Committee of India,
   25/1, 9th Cross, 2nd Phase,
   J.P. Nagar, Bangalore-560 078.

Copy to:-
1. PS to Hon'ble MOS (I/C) Youth Affairs & Sports.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports)
3. Mr. Xavier Gonzalez, CEO, International Paralympic Committee, Bonn, Germany.
4. Director (Finance)/ Director (Sports-I)/ Director (Sports-II).
5. Director (Commercial), Railway Traffic, Ministry of Railways.
6. Secretary, Railway Sports Promotion Board.
8. Section Officer (SP-II)/ (SP-III)/ (SP-IV)/ (SP-V)/ (SP-VI)/ (Fin.).
9. NIC, MYAS for placing the same on the website of the Ministry.
No.F.90-2/2009/SP.I
Government of India
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001
Dated: the 9th September, 2016

To

The Secretary General,
Tenpin Bowling Federation (India)
# 3 C, Eldorado Building,
112, Nungambakkam High Road,
Chennai-600034

Sub: Matter relating to elections of office bearers of Tenpin Bowling Federation of (India) for the year 2014-2018 - Regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 28/12/2015 on the subject cited above and to say that the report of the election of the office bearers for a period of four years term 2014-2018 wherein the following office bearers were elected has been examined in the Ministry and the elections conducted has been accepted as valid and the same has been noted in our record.

i. Shri Karti P. Chadambaram - President - for 2nd term
   ii. Shri R. Kannan - Secretary General - for 2nd term.
      iii. Shri A. Sreenivasa Rao - Treasurer - for 2nd term.

2. This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS(I/C) YAS.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tele/Fax: 23382560

Copy to:-
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2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.
3. Exec. Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India, J.N. Stadium, New Delhi.

Copy for information to:-
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2. PPS to Secretary (Sports).
3. PS to Joint Secretary (Sports).
4. PS to Joint Secretary (Dev.).
5. Director (VN)/Director (SPH)/Director (RDC).
7. SO (SP.II)/SO (SP.III)/SO (SP.IV)/SO (SP.V).
F.No. 9-27/2016-SP-I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports  
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 28th October, 2016

To

Shri Ajay Singh,  
President,  
Boxing Federation of India,  
319, Udyog Vihar,  
Phase-IV, Gurgaon,  
Haryana

Subject: Grant of recognition to Boxing Federation of India as National Sports Federation for the sport of Boxing in India.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter dated 10/10/2016 seeking recognition of the Govt. as a National Sports Federation. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports agrees to recognize Boxing Federation of India (BFI) as National Sports Federation (NSF) for the sport of boxing in India with immediate effect.

2. The recognition means granting a major role to Boxing Federation of India, for development of the Boxing sport in India.

3. The recognition is granted subject to continued observance of the following terms and conditions:-

a) The Office bearers of the Federation shall invariably be appointed by election as per the Model Election Guidelines issued by the Ministry. The various instructions issued by the Ministry, from time to time, including the age and tenure criteria, for holding the elective offices of the Federation shall be scrupulously followed. No person shall be allowed to hold the offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer (by whatever corresponding designation they are known) for more than the period prescribed in the Ministry's instructions.
b) The Federation shall give at least two months’ advance notice to the Union Government for any change in its constitution. A copy of the existing Constitution and the proposed changes should invariably be sent along with the notice.

c) The Federation must maintain its accounts as per the Mercantile System of accounting. The Accounting year should be from 1st April to 31st March. The books of accounts shall always be open to inspection by authorized representatives of the Union Government.

d) The accounts of the Federation must be audited by a practising Chartered Accountant. Audited Statement of account should be sent to the Union Government within six months from the date of expiry of the accounting year.

e) The Federation must scrupulously abide by the guidelines of the Govt. issued from time to time for the conduct of national Championships, drawing of advance calendar for holding National Championships, players grievance system, representation of athletes in the management of the federations, etc.

f) The Federation shall have corresponding States/UT bodies affiliated to it in all the State/UTs within two years from the date of this recognition.

g) The Federation should also abide by the directions of the Union Govt. issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of sports among physically challenged sportspersons or its players or Public in general.

h) The recognition can be reviewed by the Govt. in case Memorandum of Association (MoA) of the Boxing Federation of India or its practices come into conflict with the Govt. guidelines as amended from time to time.

i) The Ministry’s guidelines for selection procedure shall be followed by Boxing Federation of India. Tournaments shall be held by the Federation for Men & Women at all levels i.e. National, State, District level for Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior categories.

j) The Federation shall scrupulously follow the Ministry’s guidelines on RTI applicability and suo-moto disclosure of information on its website and appointment of a Public Information Officer and an Appellate Authority.

k) The Federation shall ensure strict compliance of the Government guidelines to prevent unethical practices in sports such as age fraud, prevention of sexual harassment of women in sports, doping, issuance of identify cards to sportspersons etc.

4. The Boxing sport is placed in the ‘High Priority’ category.
5. The recognition may be withdrawn if:

a) any of the terms and conditions of the recognition are violated;
b) its own Constitution is violated;
c) directions issued by the Union Govt. are not complied with as required;
d) in the opinion of the Union Govt., the Federation is not functioning properly;
e) the recognition has been obtained by submitting false information or by misrepresentation of facts;
f) the concerned international Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the Federation.

6. A copy of the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011, currently in force is enclosed herewith. This grant of recognition is subject to compliance of the same, as modified from time to time, by the federation at all times including displaying information on their website.

7. The requests for financial assistance and clearance of proposals must be submitted in the prescribed manner. Assistance may be provided to the Federation subject to the availability of funds, submission of the relevant documents, fulfilment of the terms & conditions/ guidelines etc., as may be prescribed from time to time.

8. Vide letter dated 5/10/2016, AIBA, the international body for Boxing, has informed the President, IOA that on 25/09/2016, the Indian Ad-hoc Committee held elections for the newly formed Boxing Federation of India. AIBA fully recognised the results of these elections which were witnessed by their appointed observer and Vice President and were in accordance with AIBA statutes and bye-laws. Therefore, AIBA fully recognises Boxing Federation of India as the only National Sports Federation for promotion of Boxing sport in India.

9. With a view to facilitating participation of Indian athletes in various international events including Olympics/Asian/Commonwealth Games, Boxing Federation of India has been granted recognition with the approval of the competent authority as National Sports Federation for promotion of Boxing sport in India in relaxation of the existing condition that the
Federation/Association must have actively existed for more than 3 years on the date of application for recognition and should have had the recognition of IOA. The recognition is, however, subject to the condition that bye-laws of the Federation relating to age and tenure limits of the office bearers will be amended to bring the same in line with the National Sports Development Code of India-2011, by incorporating the following, at the earliest but in any case before completion of two terms by the present office bearers of the Federation:-

i. President can hold office for 3 terms or 12 years whichever is less.

ii. During the cooling off period Secretary and Treasurer should not hold any post in this body.

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

Yours faithfully,

(Onkar Kedia)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23381025

Encl: 1 Copy of Sports Code

Copy to:-
1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.
3. ED (Teams), Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
4. DPIO, MYAS.
5. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial (R-II), Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi to include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations and extend the facilities including grant of railway concession to the players.
6. Department of Personnel & Training (Under Secretary, Pay-I), North Block, New Delhi to include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations.

(Onkar Kedia)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23381025
No.F.69-3/2015/SP.I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 28th October, 2016

To

1. Sh. Karate R. Thiagarajan,
   President,
   Karate Association of India,
   No.3, 1st Main Road, Gandhi Nagar,
   Adyar, Chennai-600020 (Tamilnadu)

2. Sh. Rameshwar Nirwan,
   All India Karate Do Federation,
   B-5, Radha Vihar, New Sanganer Road,
   Jaipur-302019 (Rajasthan)

3. Sh. P.R. Ramesh,
   All India Karate-Do Federation,
   26/1, T.M.N. Street, 3rd Cross,
   New Thippasandra, Hal III Stage,
   Bangalore-560075 (Karnataka).

4. Sh. Nandjee Prasad,
   All India Karate-Do Federation,
   4/5, New Ranikudar, Kadma,
   Jamshespur-831005 (Jharkhand)

Sub:- Grant of recognition to Karate Association of India (KAI).

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the order of even no. dated 28-10-2016 on the subject cited above for your information.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23382560

Copy to:-

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2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association.

3. Executive Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium.

4. Joint Director, traffic Commercial (R-II), railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

5. Department of Personnel & training (Under Secretary, pay I), North Block, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

(A.K. Patro)
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No.F.69-3/2015/SP.1  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001  
Dated the 28th October, 2016

ORDER

Sub:- Grant of recognition to Karate Association of India (KAI).

All India Karate Do Federation (AIKDF) was given recognition as the National Sport Federation (NSF) for the Karate Sport in India vide order no.9-1/79-DII(SP) dated 15-06-1987. From the year 2010 Govt. introduced a system of grant of annual recognition to the NSF's whereby recognition is granted to the NSF's on year to year basis. Till the year 2013, AIKDF was given annual recognition as NSF for Karate sport since it was having the recognition of the World Karate Federation (WKF). The background is given below:-

1. On 15/06/1987 Government recognized All India Karate Do Federation (AIKDF) as a National Sports Federation (NSF) for promotion of Karate sports in the country with Shri Burge Cooper as President and Shri Shyam Kotak as Secretary General of AIKDF.

2. On 30/12/2006 & 02-02-2007 IOA & WKF respectively recognized Shri Rameshwar Nirvan as President and Shri P.R. Ramesh as Secretary General. But dispute cropped up between them.

3. Subsequently, IOA vide letter dated 02-01-2008 and WKF vide letter dated 28-03-2008 recognized Shri Karate R. Thiagarajan as President and Shri P.R. Ramesh as General Secretary of AIKDF. On 21-07-2008 Ministry accepted the recommendation of the aforesaid two bodies and resumed support to the new management of AIKDF with Shri Karate R. Thiagarajan as President and Shri P.R. Ramesh as General Secretary.

4. Subsequently, IOA vide their letter dated 02-03-2010 & WKF vide letter dated 03-03-2010 recognized Mr. Karate R. Thiagarajan as President and Mr. Bharat Sharma as General Secretary of AIKDF. Ministry accepted the recommendation of IOA and World Karate Federation and informed AIKDF accordingly on 26-03-2010.

5. Shri Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF filed W.P.No.1734/2010 in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay Vs UOI, IOA, the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai and AIKDF (Shri Thiagarajan's Group) for granting recognition to his group. Hon'ble High Court of Bombay vide order dated 10/1/2011 directed Charity Commissioner, Mumbai, before whom the change reports were pending, to hear and dispose of the change reports within a period of six months.

6. On 28/12/2012 Charity Commissioner, Mumbai rejected the change reports and directed the Governing body of AIKDF to initiate the election process within 60 days.

7. Based on the order dated 28/12/2012 from the Deputy Charity Commissioner, Mumbai, the faction led by Shri. Rameshwar Nirvan conducted elections on 15/2/2013. The faction led by Shri P. R. Ramesh also conducted elections on 22-02-2013. Both the factions had submitted their change reports to the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai for acceptance. No information was received in the ministry till February, 2014 when the matter regarding grant of recognition to KAI was being considered.

[Signature]
8. On 18/10/2013, Shri Karate R. Thiagaran informed the ministry that WKF vide their letter dated 10/9/2013 cancelled all its previous membership/affiliation for India and had granted affiliation/membership to KAI as the National Federation for Karate sport in India.

9. On 20/12/2013 WKF was requested by the ministry to confirm the authenticity of the certificate issued by them.

10. Vide letter dated 27/12/2013 WKF confirmed that they have granted recognition to KAI on 10/9/2013

11. On 3/1/2014 Karate Association of India submitted its application for grant of recognition as NSF. Deficiencies found in their application were conveyed to KAI on 16-1-2014.

12. Vide letter dated 20/1/2014 KAI submitted the required details/documents which were examined in the Ministry as per the criteria for grant of recognition to the NSF as provided under the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 (NSDCI).

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2. (AIKDF through Shri Rameshwar Nirvan had filed a Writ Petition No.9798/2015 in the High Court of Delhi V/s MYAS, IOA & KAI. In the said writ petition the petitioner prayed before the Hon’ble Court for directing MYAS to restore the recognition to All India Karate Do Federation registered with the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai. Hon’ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 14/10/2015 disposed off the Writ Petition with the following directions:-

   i) The Petitioners, AIKDF on or before 20/10/2015 submit their representation containing their claim for recognition as NSF for the sport of Karate for the year 2016 with the MYAS with an advance copy to Karate Association of India (KAI) and IOA.
   ii) The respondent No.3 (KAI) as well as Respondent No.2 (IOA) may, if so desire, file their responses thereto before the Ministry by 6/11/2015.
   iii) The Ministry, if so desire, may grant an opportunity of personal hearing to all parties as well as other concerned before taking a decision.
   iv) The Govt. of India to take a decision on the body/entity to be recognized as NSF for the sport of Karate for the year 2016 on or before 11/12/2015 and give reasons for accepting or rejecting claim of either of the parties and communicate the same to all concerned.

3. Pursuant to the above order of the High Court, the Ministry has received representations from the following:-

   i. Shri Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF.
   ii. Shri P.R. Ramesh of AIKDF
   iii. Shri Nandjee Prasad of AIKDF
   iv. Shri Karate R. Thiagarajan, President, KAI.

4. The representations were examined and the details are as under:-

   i. **Shri Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF** in his representation dated 21/10/2015 has stated that AIKDF is the only sports federation for Karate sport since 1978 and having duly elected Governing Body, elections of which were held on 15/2/2013 under the monitoring/orders of Hon’ble Court of Deputy Charity Commissioner, Mumbai. It has been stated that AIKDF irrespective of who heads the federation was a recognized unit as NSF till 2013 which KAI illegally usurped due to the recognition given to them under a misrepresentation of facts and by fraud played upon the authorities. Further, it has also been stated that KAI, a Pvt. Limited company, incorporated under section 25 of Companies Act cannot be accorded status of NSF because there has been no approved “Change” from the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai for incorporation of Karate R. Thiagarajan as the President of AIKDF or Karti P. Chidambaram as Chief Patron or Mr. Bharat Sharma as Secretary of the AIKDF. KAI by means of forged documents was registered only on 26/9/2013 but the said organization was recognized by WKF on 10/9/2013. KAI being a Pvt. Ltd. Co., cannot be usurper of the AIKDF in any form. KAI has illegally created parallel bodies in some States to take hold of the game of Karate. Therefore, Sh. Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF has requested for a personal hearing and requested to recognize them as NSF for Karate Sport for the year 2016.

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ii. Sh. P.R. Ramesh of AIKDF vide his letter (received in the Ministry on 27-10-2015) has informed that he was the erstwhile Secretary of AIKDF which was recognized as NSF and the leadership of AIKDF was in dispute since 2006 and fell for adjudication by the Charity Commissioner, Greater Mumbai. Charity Commissioner, Mumbai upheld the elections of 2006 and directed the said Governing Body to initiate elections process. One faction headed by Shri Rameshwar Nirvan conducted the election on 15/2/2013 and another faction headed by Shri P.R. Ramesh conducted elections on 22/2/2013. Both the factions filed change reports before the Charity Commissioner. He has further submitted that while the matter was under adjudication, the Ministry continued to recognize Shri Thiagarajan and Shri Bharat Sharma as the office bearers of AIKDF and did not recognise AIKDF without giving any notice and recognized another corporate entity by the name of KAI with Shri Karate Thiagarajan and Shri Bharat Sharma as office bearers. Therefore, he has requested to issue notice to him for hearing in the best interest of justice.

iii. Shri Nandjee Prasad claiming to be the Secretary of AIKDF vide his letter dated 16/10/2015 informed that AIKDF is the only legitimate national level sports federation in the field of sport of Karate which was recognized by the Ministry long back and has been in existence for the last 31 years for promotion the Karate Sport. As per the direction of Charity Commissioner, elections were conducted on 15/2/2013 under the Supervision of Charity Commissioner. He has also invited attention to the order dated 28/4/2015 passed by the Assistant Charity Commissioner. The change report submitted by the faction led by Mr. Rameshwar Nirvan has been accepted by the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai. Therefore, he has requested to grant recognition to AIKDF in which he was elected as General Secretary.

iv. Karate Association of India (KAI) vide their e-mail dated 5/11/2015 also made a detailed submission. KAI has informed that AIKDF out of frustration due to losing the legal cases in India and abroad has filed the W.P. in Delhi High Court. It has been stated that License under Section 25 of the Companies Act 1956 in the name of KAI was issued on 10/9/2013 by Registrar of Companies and the same was informed to World Karate Federation (WKF) which issued recognition letter to KAI on 10/9/2013. WKF cancelled the recognition of AIKDF and recognized KAI, the decision of which was unanimously accepted by 114 delegates in the congress of WKF held in Germany in November, 2014. Subsequently, AIKDF represented by Mr. Rameshwar Nirvan filed a case in Court of Arbitration of Sports (CAS) in Switzerland against WKF and lost the case. We filed an appeal in the Supreme Court of Switzerland against the decision of CAS dated 29/1/2015 and there also AIKDF lost the case vide order dated 30/6/2015 and this vital fact has not been informed to the Ministry by AIKDF.

It has been stated that KAI has 36 State units as well as SSCB, ITBP, Assam Rifles as their corporate members with 7 World level & 68 Asian Level Qualified referees who are taking part in all activities of KAI and conducted National Championships in 2013, 2014 and 2015. On the contrary Mr. Rameshwar Nirvan himself has created parallel bodies in many States like Haryana, Uttarakhand, Manipur, West Bengal, MP, Kerala etc. Mr. Karate R. Thiagarajan was the head of AIKDF since 2008 in the record of WKF, IOA and MYAS and there was no order from any sporting authority or Court of Law restraining Mr. Thiagarajan to act as President, AIKDF till 10/9/2013. In 2011 IOA withdrew recognition to AIKDF in compliance with IOC Charter and at no point of time, Mr. Nirvan was having the recognition of IOA as President of AIKDF nor had he challenged the decision of IOA recognizing Mr. Karate R. Thiagarajan as President. Further, it has been submitted by KAI that to be recognized by a National Olympic Council (NOC) and accepted as a member of such NOC as National Federation, NSF
must exercise a specific, real and on-going sports activity, affiliated to an International Federation recognized by the IOC and be governed by and comply in all aspects with both Olympic Charter and the rules of the International Federation. The membership of the Association shall be open to the NSF's affiliated to international Sports Federation whose sport is included in the programme of all Asian/Commonwealth Games. Therefore, as per the provisions of Olympics Charter and the IOA constitution, IOA cannot grant recognition to any other body which is not having recognition of WKF.

It has also been informed by KAI that AIKDF conducted two national championships in 2015 as well as two parallel elections of governing body one by Shri Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF on 2/2/2015 in Jaipur where he removed his General Secretary Mr. Nandje Prasad by seizing his membership and elected one Mr. Narender Mor as the new General Secretary. On the other hand, General Secretary Mr. Nandje Prasad also conducted elections on 2/2/2015 at Aruna Asaf Ali Road, New Delhi where he has elected new office bearers of AIKDF. Therefore, after their elections of new office bearers on 2/2/2015, the change report of the elections held on 15/2/2013 which was approved by Mumbai Charity Commissioner becomes fructuous. KAI further submitted that they are the only NSF which is promoting Karate sport in the country and representations from Shri Rameshwar Nirvan and any other should be rejected being devoid of any merit.

5. In response to the submission of KAI, as stated in previous paras, Sh. Rameshwar Nirvan vide his letter dated 19-11-2015, inter-alia, submitted that:-

i. License was granted only for incorporation of company of KAI and by no means it meant that the KAI could start its business before the date of incorporation. Under Section 98 of its Article of Association the business of the company shall commence soon after its incorporation. Therefore, KAI would have been legally allowed to conduct any business only after the date of incorporation, i.e., 26th September, 2013. However, it illegally entered into contract and conducted its business 16 days before its incorporation.

ii. WKF recognized KAI on the basis of fraudulent submission by the KAI that reads out as "AIFK has changed its name from AIFK to KAI".

iii. WKF Congress held on 4th November, 2014 in Germany that approved the alleged change of name of AIFK to KAI based on the letter received by WKF from AIFK.

iv. MYAS continued to patronage Sh. Thiagarajan despite the fact that the Court of Deputy Charity Commissioner had already declared him as offender for illegal occupation of office of AIFK.

v. IOA letter of March, 2010 was forged by Sh. Thiagarajan and Sh. Bharat Sharma and was sent to WKF and accordingly WKF recognized the illegal officials on March 3, 2010.

vi. The case in the CAS Switzerland was not admitted on technical ground of time limit. CAS proceedings further required the submission of Schedule-I which the AIFK could file only after the expiry of the deadlines as the authorities in India delayed issuance of the certified copy thereof.

6. Sh. Rajeev Sinha vide his letter dated 23-11-2015 has submitted a request for considering grant of recognition to AIFK as NSF because irrespective of its leadership, AIFK has been a MYAS recognized NSF since 1987 and member of WKF till 2014. Sh. Thiagarajan and Sh. Bharat Sharma fraudulently created an illegal entity called KAI and fraudulently secured WKF membership sixteen days before its incorporation. Further, on the basis of illegally procured document of WKF, the KAI got
the recognition from the Ministry on 12-02-2014 i.e. 5 months of its legal existence whereby all the norms of the Sports Code were blatantly violated during Congress regime.

7. Due to the aforesaid claims and counter claims, it was decided that all the parties be given perusal hearing. Accordingly, the following were given personal hearing by AS & FA of the Ministry:-

- Mr. Rameshwar Nirvan was heard on 22-01-2016.
- Mr. Nandji Prasad was heard on 09-02-2016.
- Mr. Ganesh was heard on 22-02-2016.
- Mr. Thiagaraj and Mr. Bharat Sharma were heard on 26-02-2016.

8. The observations of AS & FA and the comments of the Deptt. on the observations are as under:-

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3 Records also show that KAI has not got the recognition by IOA as yet. Mr. Bharat Sharma had applied on 29-11-2013 much before existence of KAI to affiliate KAI within IOA. No recognition of Asian Federation too is on record for KAI.

4 KAI had applied for recognition to MoYAS on 03-01-2014 and was given recognition on 12-02-2014 by MoYAS. It is also seen that National Sports Development Code of India 2011 (NSDCI) has not been duly followed in this case. KAI did not have the All India spread and neither had it conducted

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When the case was being processed for grant of recognition to KAI, IOA was under suspension. Further, IOA vide letter dated 11-07-2011 informed to NSFs that as per their amended constitution, the NSFs and State Olympic Association which are affiliated only with the IOA will be its members and none else and there shall be no category of recognized members henceforth. List of NSFs which are not Olympic discipline was also enclosed with their letter. Hence recognition of IOA was not applicable in this case. The recognition of the Asian body is also not applicable since the world body has recognized KAI.

KAI submitted their proposal vide letter dated 03-01-2014 which was examined in the Ministry and with approval of competent authority, in relaxation of the condition of its existence for more than 3 years, the Ministry granted recognition to KAI as NSF in February, 2014, keeping in view the interest of sportspersons and promotion of Karate Sport in the country. Further, while granting recognition to KAI relaxation of the provision of 3.3 of the guidelines.

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its elections. Having been incorporated on 26-09-2013 and having got recognition on 12-02-2014, nothing much on record was there that they had played significant role and contributed in promoting and developing sports in India. 3.3 clause of eligibility of guidelines for recognition of NSFs (Annexure-II) requires that federation must have actively existed for more than 3 years on the date of application for recognition but this was not adhered to case of KAI. 3.4 clause also requires that at the time of application the federation should have affiliated units in at least 2/3 of total states. But KAI had not fulfilled this condition. KAI has also failed to comply with Clause 3.8 too.

The reply given by CPIO is based on the fact that both the organizations are registered under two different Acts. While AIKDF is registered under Societies Registration Act, KAI is registered as Section 25 Company under the Companies Act. While replying to RTI application received from Sh. Rajeev Sinha vide CPIO's letter dated 27-01-2016, it was informed that for the year 2016 so far MYAS had not given annual recognition to any NSFs including KAI which was the position factually correct at that point of time. Subsequently, Ministry granted annual recognition for the year 2016 on 14-03-2016 enclosing therewith list of NSFs to whom the same has been granted. The name of KAI was not included in the list because of the present case.

The Ministry has also erred in responding to RTI replies. MoYAS in its reply dated 02-05-2014 clearly states it is a new organization. The reply to RTI query given 19-01-2016 wrongly states that KAI is recognized NSF while factually its recognition was only up to 31-12-2015 as it is granted only for the calendar year. The recognition for the year 2016 is yet to be granted by the Ministry. Thus clearly, KAI has no locus stand to be the NSF.

9. World Karate Federation (WKF) vide their mail dt 22.8.16, has requested Hon’ble MOS to grant recognition to Karate Association of India. In an effort to thrash out the differences between the factions of Karate sport, Hon’ble MOS, on 29-09-2016, met all the groups claiming recognition from this Ministry who made their submissions, oral & written. Their submissions and the comments of the Ministry are as under:-
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<td>On 15/06/1987 Government had recognized All India Karate Do Federation (AIKDF) as National Sports Federation (NSF) for promotion of Karate sports in the country. The same was continued till 2013 since WKF recognized it. Recognition to KAI was given in the year 2014 because WKF recognized KAI as the body in India for Karate sport and Indian players can participate in the WKF sanctioned events through KAI only.</td>
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<td>The decision of Charity Commissioner is applicable for running the management of the AIKDF as a Society/Trust whereas the recognition of the Govt is to protect the interests of the players by ensuring their participation in the WKF sanctioned events. Since AIKDF is not recognized by WKF recognition to KAI is justified.</td>
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Sh. Bharat Sharma, Secretary General, Karate Association of India (KAI) mentioned during the meeting that his body has been recognized by the World Karate Federation (WKF) as its affiliated unit in India and KAI is authorized to field athletes in WKF sanctioned events. No other body can send athletes for such events. He also submitted that KAI fulfills all the condition for grant of recognition including the condition of 3 years of existence as on date. Hence, KAI may be granted recognition at the earliest. He further mentioned that he has made detailed submissions in writing earlier and the issues raised by the contesting AIKDF factions have adequately been answered therein.

Analysis of the case

10. Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) grants recognition to sports bodies as National Sports Federations (NSFs) in accordance with the guidelines incorporated in the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 (NSDCI) which inter-alia, provides that “Recognition of a federation shall not be a matter of right and shall be purely at the discretion of the Govt. of India who may grant recognition subject to such terms and conditions as it deems fit”.

11. Vide order No. 9-69/2009-SP-I dated 2.12.2009, Government had decided to introduce a system of annual recognition as per which recognition is to be given to the NSFs on year to year basis. This instruction is also a part of the NSDCI. The validity of the Sports Code was challenged by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) in W.P. No. 2310/2012 in Delhi High Court. The Hon’ble Court vide its order dated 9.5.2014 has upheld the validity of the Sports Code.

12. Due to dispute in the management of the All India Karate Do Federation, the Ministry had stopped all assistance to the federation in Oct. 2006. Subsequently, the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) vide their letter dated 02.01.2008 and World Karate Federation (WKF) vide letter dated 28.03.2008 informed that they recognize Mr. Karate R. Thiagarajan as President and Shri P. R. Ramesh as General Secretary of the Federation. Ministry accepted the recommendation of the aforesaid two apex bodies and resumed support to AIKDF vide letter dated 21.07.2008.

13. Consequent to subsequent dispute amongst the new management of AIKDF, Ministry sought a detailed report from IOA. IOA vide their letter dated 02.03.2010 and World Karate Federation vide their letters dated 03.03.2010 and 23/12/2010 respectively recognized AIKDF headed by Mr. Karate R.
Thiagarajan as President, Mr. Bharat Sharma as General Secretary and Mr. Altaf Alam as Treasurer. Since Karate was one of the sports disciplines included in the Asian Games 2010 for which preparation of the team was going on, Ministry continued support to AIKDF as recommended by IOA and WKF. The present allegation by Sh. Rameshwar Nirvan and Sh. Rajeev Sinha that the signature of Sh. Suresh Kalmadi was forged to get the recognition of IOA does not seem to be valid as IOA never disputed the recognition given to AIKDF headed by Sh. Thiagarajan and Sh. Bharat Sharma. On the contrary, IOA had issued various documents in their favour.

14. Shri Rameshwar Nirvan of AIKDF filed a W.P.No.1734/2010 in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay Vs. UOI, IOA, the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai & AIKDF (Shri Thiagrajan's Group) for granting recognition to his group. Hon'ble High Court of Bombay vide Order dated 10/1/2011 directed Charity Commissioner, Mumbai, before whom the change reports were pending, to hear and dispose of the change reports within a period of six months. In pursuance of the High Court's order, the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai by order dated 28/12/2012 rejected the change reports filed by rival factions and directed the Governing body of AIKDF elected on 11/4/2006 to initiate the election process within 60 days. Based on the order dated 28/12/2012 from the Deputy Charity Commissioner, Mumbai, two separate groups of AIKDF conducted the elections on 15/2/2013 (by the faction led by Shri. Rameshwar Nirvan) and on 22/2/2013 (by the faction led by Shri P. R. Ramesh). Both the factions submitted their change reports to the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai for acceptance. It is for the Charity Commissioner to accept the change report or otherwise. This has also been stated by Shri P.R. Ramesh of AIKDF in his present representation.

15. It was noticed that there was dispute among the various factions of the management of the Federation of AIKDF. Many court cases have been filed by different persons of AIKDF in various courts of the country. In view of dispute in the management of the AIKDF, the Ministry had not provided any financial assistance to AIKDF since 2011. The annual recognition of AIKDF ended on 31.12.2013 which was not renewed for the year 2014.

16. Shri Karate R. Thiagrajan, who was the President of All India Karate Do-Federation (AIKDF) and was recognized by the Ministry informed during October, 2013 that World Karate Federation (WKF) has cancelled all its previous membership/affiliation for India and have granted affiliation/membership to “Karate Association of India” (KAI) as the only National Federation for Karate sports in India headed by him as the President.

17. Karate Association of India submitted their proposal for grant of recognition during January, 2014. The same was examined in the Ministry and the deficiencies were conveyed to KAI on 16th January, 2014. KAI thereafter submitted the required details/documents which were again examined in the Ministry. The criteria for grant of recognition to the NSFs as provided under the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 (NSDCI) specify that while considering the proposal for recognition, the Ministry, inter alia, will be guided by the following:-

i. The current legal status of the Organization.
ii. Recognition by the International Federation and the Asian Federation.
iii. Recognition by the IOA in respect of Olympic Sports.
iv. Undisputed status as an Apex Body in India.
v. All India spread.
vi. The role and contribution of the organization in promoting and developing Sports in India.

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vii. Conduct of national championship across age groups and gender.
viii. Financial and managerial accountability.
ix. Fair, transparent and democratic elections.
x. Compliance with age and tenure limit guidelines.
xi. Protection and promotion of players’ interests and welfare.
xii. Introduction of Annual Recognition procedure for NSF’s from 2010 subject to the submission of some documents namely annual reports, audited accounts, copy of bye-laws etc.

18. KAI fulfilled all the criteria for grant of recognition to NSF’s except the condition i.e. the Federation/association must have actively existed for more than three years on the date of application for recognition, as KAI was registered in September, 2013. The above condition being a part of Govt. guidelines, the Govt. has the inherent powers to relax the condition in exceptional cases in the interests of sports and sportspersons.

19. At the national level there has to be only one recognized Federation for each discipline of sports. One of the essential eligibility requirements is that it should have the recognition from the International body/organization concerned. The World Karate Federation (WKF), the International Body for Karate Sports vide letter dated 27/12/2013 informed that KAI headed by President Karate R. Thiagrajan and General Secretary Shri Bharat Sharma is the full member of WKF and the only National Federation for Karate Sport in India. It was also informed that it had cancelled all previous memberships/recognition letters with immediate effect and only KAI is entitled to participate in WKF’s events representing the country India.

20. “Karate” sport is popular among the youth especially among the children in schools/colleges and included in School Games, SAF, Asian Games etc. The International Body accepts the entries of the players from the members recognized by it. KAI has been given recognition by WKF as its member in India. With a view to facilitate participation of players/Indian teams in international events and to protect the interest of Indian athletes, Karate Association of India has been granted recognition, with the approval of the competent authority, as National Sports Federation for promotion of Karate sport in India, in relaxation of the existing condition of the provisions of the National Development Sports Code of India, 2011 i.e. the Federation/Association must have actively existed for more than 3 years.

21. The recognition to KAI was subject to the various conditions including holding of its elections in a fair and democratic manner as per the Model Election guidelines of the Ministry within six months of the date of issue of the recognition letter i.e. 12/2/2014. Accordingly, KAI held its elections on 28/7/2014 at New Delhi and the same was accepted with the approval of the competent authority and was conveyed to KAI on 11-11-2014.

22. KAI has informed that AIKDF represented by Sh. Rameshwar Nirvan (and Sh. Rajeev Sinha) had filed a case against the WKF against their decision of disaffiliation of AIKDF and for affiliating Karate Association of India as the NSF for Karate Sports in India in the Court of Arbitration of Sports, Lausanne, Switzerland and CAS has not allowed any relief to AIKDF. Further, KAI vide their letter dated 10-07-2015 informed that after losing their case in Court of Arbitration of Sports, Lausanne, Switzerland, Sh. Rameshwar Nirvan and Sh. Rajeev Sinha filed a case against CAS in Switzerland Supreme Court and by order dated 30-06-2015, Swiss Supreme Court rejected the case. It has also been

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informed by KAI that at the International level, there is no court case pending against the International Federation i.e. WKF.

23. That the dispute is among the various factions and groups in the management of Karate sport and not among sportspersons. Since the International body accepts entries of athletes from its affiliated units in the countries, in order to protect the interest of sportspersons for their participation in WKF events representing the country India, the Ministry granted recognition to KAI on 12-02-2014 as National Sports Federation for promotion of Karate sport in the country. Such recognition was granted with approval of competent authority i.e. then Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS and the subsequent annual recognition for the year 2015 was also granted to it with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C)YAS. No financial assistance has been given to KAI after their recognition, as the same has not been sought for by KAI.

24. In their representation dated 05-11-2015, KAI has enclosed two notices for holding elections, by two groups of AIKDF on the same date i.e. 22-02-2015. As per the provisions of the Sports Code, the Federation shall inform Government well in advance about its General Body Meeting and other meeting in which election of office bearers are to be held. However, MYAS had not received any information about the said elections. Also, it is not known as to what happened to the change reports following the elections dated 22-02-2015, if any held. However, from the documents it appears that factionalism in AIKDF still continues and there appears to be no unified body for AIKDF.

25. Further, MYAS has no role in the matter of grant of recognition to a member body in India by the International Federation for a sports discipline. Such disputes are to be adjudicated by the competent legal authorities. From the documents submitted by KAI it is noticed that one faction of the AIKDF had approached the Court of Arbitration (CAS) and the Supreme Court of Switzerland. The matter has already been adjudicated by those Courts.

26. Even though there may be disputes among the factions or between sports federations claiming to be NSF for a sports discipline, MYAS has to take decision in the overall interest of the players for their participation in the international events. Since the International Federation accepts entries of the players from its member in India, any other sports body will not be able to send the players for their participation in the official events of the International Federation. Since WKF has cancelled the membership of AIKDF, it would not be able send the players for the WKF- sanctioned events.

27. To sum up, the position of the two bodies are as under:

i. **All India Karate Do Federation (AIKDF)** - Presently it does not have the recognition of the world body. Hence it is not eligible to field the Indian team in the WKF sanctioned events. Holding of the elections and acceptance or otherwise of the election results by the Charity Commissioner is a process to be completed by all the societies registered under the Societies Act. This does not automatically authorize AIKDF to field Indian team in WKF events. On the other hand AIKDF is ridden in the factionalism in as much as that separate claimants of AIKDF appeared before AS & FA and also before the Hon’ble MoS to stake their claims. Thus, the positions of AIKDF w.r.t its office bearers remains hazy. Therefore, grant of recognition to AIKDF does not arise on two counts i.e. it does not have the recognition of the World Body (WKF) and there are more than one claimant of this
Karate Association of India (KAI) - KAI is recognized by the World body and is authorized to send the Indian teams for the WKF sanctioned events. After its recognition in 2014, KAI has held several events in India and also participated in various WKF sanctioned events abroad. Even if the Govt's recognition is not given to KAI it would still be sending the Indian teams for WKF events as long as it is having the recognition of the world body. On the other hand if recognition is not given to KAI it would create confusion among athletes as different factions of AIKDF are claiming to be the body governing Karate sport in India although the MYAS has not given annual recognition to AIKDF since 2014. Recognition of the Govt., if not granted to KAI, would add to the confusion. It is pertinent to mention that Karate Association of India has since completed three years of its existence. Karate is an important sport and is included in the Asian Games. It has also been shortlisted to be included as one of the sports for Tokyo Olympics, 2020.

28. It was noticed during the meeting of Hon' MoS with the various factions on 29.9.16 that there are irreconcilable differences among the groups and on the other hand an NSF for Karate sport need to be recognized as it has been shortlisted to be included in the Tokyo Olympics, 2020. Karate has long back been included in the Asian Games. The next Asian Games will be held in 2018. It is a fact that only the body recognized by the World Karate Federation (WKF) can field the Indian athletes in such events. Therefore it has been considered necessary to grant recognition to the body recognized by the world body for development, training & participation of athletes in various international events including the Asian Games & the Olympics. At present, Karate Association of India (KAI) has the recognition of WKF. It has also completed 3 years of existence, a requirement under the National Sports Development Code of India for grant of recognition. World Karate Federation (WKF) vide their mail dt 22.8.16, has requested grant recognition to Karate Association of India.

29. Taking into account the aforesaid position and the direction dated 14.10.2015 of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in WP No.789/2015, the documents on record and the facts as enumerated hereinbefore, it has been concluded that the decision of the Ministry to grant recognition to KAI as NSF is just and essential to ensure participation of Indian athletes in international events. At present, there are no grounds to review the said decision. Hence, it has been decided to continue the recognition to Karate Association of India as national Sports Federation for the year 2016 for promotion of Karate Sport in India.

The aforesaid decision has the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
No.F.18-2/2011/SP.I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

To,
Shri Premchand Degra,
Indian Body Builders Federation,
Pathare Gymco, 280/A, Javalkar Mansion,
Dr. B. Ambedkar Road, Parel,
Mumbai-400012.

Sub: Election of Office Bearers of Indian Body Builders Federation (IBBF) held on 26th August, 2016 at Ludhiana, Punjab.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 26th October, 2016 on the subject noted above and to say that the report of the election of the office bearers for a period of four years from August, 2016 to August, 2020 wherein the following office bearers were elected has been noted in the records of the Department, as per the details given below:

1. Mr. Prem Chand Degra, President
2. Mr. Chetan Pathare, General Secretary
3. Mr. Swamy Ramesh, Treasurer

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS(I/C) Youth Affairs & Sports.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tele/Fax: 23382560

Copy to:-

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.
3. Secretary, SAI, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
4. ED (Teams), SAI, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
5. DPIO (Sports), Room No.130 ‘A’ Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. CDN Section.
7. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial, TC-II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi – Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federation.
8. Deptt. of Personnel & Training (Under Secretary, Pay-I), North Block, New Delhi – Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federation.
9. Mr. Prem Chand Degra, President, Indian Body Builders Federation, 280/A, Javalkar Mansion, Dr. B.A. Road, Parel, Mumbai-400012
10. Mr. Chetan M. Pathare, General Secretary, Pathare Gymco, 280/A, Javalkar Mansion, Dr. B. A. Road, Parel, Mumbai-400012 (Maharashtra)

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ORDER

Sub: Order dated 21-01-2015 of Hon’ble Delhi High Court in WP No.2062/2013 filed by Boardsailing Association of India & Ors - compliance thereof.

Yachting Association of India (YAI) has been given recognition by MYAS as National Sports Federation (NSF) which is responsible for promotion of Yachting sport in the country. NSFs are bodies registered under Societies Act/Companies Act/Trust Act. It Supplements the efforts of NSFs by way of providing financial assistance as per the provisions of the Scheme of “Assistance to National Sports Federations”.

2. Elections of YAI were due in November, 2012. MYAS had asked YAI to hold fresh elections which had become due. It was also asked to hold the elections as per the Model elections guidelines of MYAS which form part of the National Sports Development Code of India 2011 (NSDCI). As per the said guidelines, besides fixing time limit for various activities associated with the election, it has been mentioned therein that the election are to be held in an AGM. It has also been mentioned therein that voting shall be through secret ballot.

3. The Provisions in the constitution of YAI holding elections, at the time of issue of MYAS letter, were as under:-

i) All members of the YAI shall be elected by members club, except the Chairman, Selection Committee, the Hony. Secretary General and one prominent sports person who shall be appointed by the President of YAI.

ii) The Hony. Secretary General and the Hony. Joint Secretary General shall be appointed by the President of YAI.

iii) The term of office of the Officers of YAI will not exceed four years.

iv) No office bearers shall hold the office for more than two consecutive terms.

a) Election of Office bearers may be carried out either at General Body Meeting or by postal ballot, as decided by the Council. The Hony. Secretary General shall send a notice to each member club inviting proposals for the post(s) of office bearers. The notice shall indicate whether the election is to take place at the General Body Meeting or by postal ballot.
A Writ Petition No. 2062/2013 was filed by Board Sailing Association of India & Ors (15 petitioners) Vs UOI & Ors in the High Court of Delhi praying for:-

i. Withdrawal of recognition of YAI for failing to hold fresh elections which have been over due since November, 2012 for the post of office bearers as per the Model Election guidelines.

ii. Enforce consequence of de-recognition.

iii. Should not alter the list of provisional and/or regular members Clubs of YAI.

5. The Ministry filed the affidavit before Hon’ble High Court of Delhi through the Govt. Counsel. During the hearing held on 15/5/2013, Hon’ble Court directed to MYAS to file the stand of the Ministry with regard to the elections of YAI through Postal Ballot before the Returning Officer. The Ministry accordingly submitted a written statement (copy enclosed as Annexure-I) before the Hon’ble Justice Usha Mehra (Retd.), Returning Officer of the Election of YAI. It was, inter-alia, submitted that in the case of YAI, the office bearers, mostly being defense officials either gets transferred or retire before completion of full term. If elections are to be held in an AGM, there would be a need to hold several AGMs at frequent intervals which would cause undue hardship to the constituent members of YAI besides putting financial burden on them to meet the travel & other expenses. Due to this reason past elections of YAI were conducted through postal ballots and the same was being followed since 1964. The objective of the Sports Code is to ensure free and fair elections and that the Returning Officer who is a retired judge of the High Court, has the option to decide the best way in which the ballot can be cast.

6. The Ministry was aware of the elections which were due in respect of the YAI and they were asked to complete the election process expeditiously. Although the annual recognition to YAI for the year 2013 and onwards was granted to protect the interest of the athletes, the same could be reviewed by MYAS at any time if, the elections were not conducted by the YAI as per the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011. The YAI had issued schedule for holding the elections vide their letter dated 25/4/2013. The petitioners insistence on de-recognition is not reasonable, as the approach of MYAS is not to resort to de-recognition straightaway and rather to give a chance to NSFs to rectify deficiencies if any in their election process and complete the same expeditiously. De-recognition is a step that is to be taken as a last resort and only when other measures do not bear fruit. It should not also be a step taken for every minor infringement. This approach had been adopted in the interest of the country’s sportspersons. YAI has agreed to abide by the guidelines of MYAS including age and tenure clauses. In fact, the YAI has taken steps to enforce the provisions of Sports Code.

7. YAI forwarded the minutes of the balloting committee meeting held on 26/8/2013 under the Chairmanship of Justice Retd. Ms. Usha Mehra. It has been indicated in the minutes of the meeting held on 26/8/2013 that as per the election notice issued by YAI, the declaration of the result was slated for 17/7/2013 but as per the direction of the Hon’ble High Court of Delhi, the ballot box was not opened or processed. However, consequently YAI had filed an appeal against the order of
Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in this regard. Hon'ble Court had directed that "Accordingly, the directions contained in the impugned order restraining the opening of the ballot boxes and counting of the votes are set aside. The appellant (YAI) would be at liberty to complete the election process and declare the results." Accordingly, the process of counting the votes by opening the ballot box was conducted on 26/8/2013. The balloting committee thereafter declared the result.

8. The entire matter was examined in the Ministry and with the approval of the competent authority, YAI was informed vide letter dated 11-11-2014 that the election results in respect of the following office bearers of YAI have been noted in the records of the Ministry and that the election of YAI held on 26th August, 2013 has been challenged in the Delhi High Court in W.P. No.2062/2013 & CM No.3915/2013. Hence, the election of YAI would be subject to the outcome of the said writ petition and the consequential appeal if any.

1. President - Admiral R.K. Dhawan
2. Vice President - Lt. General Rajiv Bhalla
3. Treasurer - Cmde (Retd.) A.S. Bajwa

9. The Hon'ble High Court vide order dated 21-01-2015 has passed the following order:-

"During the course of arguments, the parties have agreed that the entire matter be treated by the Secretary, MYAS, as a representation. He will go into the matter in detail. He will look into all aspects including whether the last elections held by YAI were in conformity, both in letter and spirit, with the Model Election Guidelines stipulated in the Government Sports Code, and dispose off the matter by passing appropriate orders, including, inter alia, for any of the reliefs sought, if he considers it appropriate to do so, within eight weeks from today by a speaking order, which shall be communicated to the parties within one week thereafter.

The MYAS, Government of India would give hearing to the Petitioners/their representative, as well as the representative of the Respondent No.2/YAI, and would also go into the relevant records as may be necessary including those that would be produced by the Petitioners and the Respondent No. 2/YAI in this behalf. All aspects of the matter will be disposed off. The aforesaid order is being passed with the consent of all parties."

10. In compliance with the orders of Hon'ble Court, notice was issued on 05-03-2015 to the petitioner viz Boardsailing Association of India for attending the hearing before former Secretary (Sports) on 12-03-2015 at 4 PM. YAI was also requested vide letter dated 05-03-2015 to present their case on 12-03-2015 at 4.30 PM before Secretary (Sports). Neither the petitioner nor any of its representatives attend of the hearing on 12-03-2015. However, representative of YAI came for the hearing. It was decided to give another opportunity to the petitioner for attending the hearing.
Accordingly, the petitioner was requested vide letter dated 13-03-2015 and to appear before Secretary (Sports) on 18-03-2015 at 3 PM for hearing. Simultaneously, Respondent No.2, YAI was also requested to attend the hearing on 18-03-2015 at 3.30 p.m. in the office chamber of Secretary (Sports).

11. On 18-03-2015 also, neither the petitioner nor any of its representative attend the hearing. However, the representatives of YAI attended the hearing. During the hearing YAI was advised to send a written submission for amending, the provision of voting by the postal ballot, their constitution. The YAI vide their letter dated 08-04-2015 informed that a deliberative process to amend the YAI constitution to bring it in conformity with NSDC, 2011 is already underway. YAI has further informed that this issue was deliberated upon in the Annual General Meeting of the YAI held on 09-12-2014, and it was resolved that steps would be taken to align the provisions of the YAI Constitution with that of NSDC, 2011 to the extent required. Given the sentiments and views expressed by majority of its members, YAI expects and anticipates that the said process of amendment of the YAI Constitution may be completed within a period not exceeding six to eight months.

12. Keeping in view the order of Hon’ble Delhi High Court dated 21-01-2015, it was decided to give one more opportunity to the petitioners for attending the hearing fixed for 16-04-2015 at 3 PM before Secretary (Sports). It was also decided to endorse a copy of the notice to the advocate for the petitioners. Accordingly, notice was issued on 06-04-2015 to the petitioner and counsel for the petitioner. Similarly, YAI was also requested vide letter dated 06-04-2015 to attend the hearing.

13. Two representatives of the petitioners namely Sh. Ashwin Tombat and Maj. Gen. S. Dutta attended the hearing held on 16-04-2015. The representatives from YAI were also present. During the hearing held before Secretary (Sports), the representatives of the petitioner sought another date as they wanted to plead their case through their advocate. Former Secretary (Sports) agreed to their request and the next date of hearing was fixed for 12-05-2015 at 5 PM. Accordingly, notice was issued to all concerned on 17-04-2015. The hearing as scheduled was held on 12-05-2015 where Sh. Rahul Mehra, Advocate of Petitioner and the representative of YAI were present. Sh. Rahul Mehra, Advocate made presentation and also gave a written submission on behalf of petitioner during the hearing. The representative of Respondent No.2 i.e. YAI requested Secretary (Sports) to give another date so that they can study the submission of the petitioner and plead their case. Accordingly, it was decided in consultation with both the parties to fix the date of next hearing on 08-07-2015 at 5 PM in the office chamber of former Secretary (Sports) which was mutually suitable to petitioner and the respondents. Notice was issued accordingly on 13-05-2015. The meeting scheduled for 08-07-2015 was however postponed due to engagements of Secretary (Sports). The meeting was thereafter fixed for 25-08-2015 at 4.30 PM which was again postponed and the same was intimated to all concerned our notice dated 24-08-2015. YAI vide their letter dated 20-08-2015 also requested for re-scheduling the hearing as their Sr. Counsel would not be able to attend the hearing.

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14. Subsequently, the hearing was held on 19-01-2016 before Secretary (Sports). From the petitioner side Capt. Homi Motivala, Lt. Col. Milind Prabhuh from Goa Sailing Association along with their Advocate Sh. Rahul Mehra and his Junior advocate attended the hearing. The representative of YAI namely Cmde. K.D. Singh, Joint Secretary and Sh. Ajay Narang life member of YAI were also present. During the hearing initially YAI sought time to present their case because their lawyer could not appear. However, subsequently, YAI submitted written statement before Secretary (Sports), a copy of which was also handed over to the Counsel of the petitioner.

15. In view of the direction of Hon’ble Court as stated under Para 9 above, YAI was requested to amend their constitution as per the Sports Code and submit the same to the Ministry. YAI submitted their draft amended bye-laws to the Ministry for comments. The same was examined and it was observed that voting by proxy/by post is not allowed and the election of office bearers and the members of council shall be by secret ballot only. However, the Ministry observed that they did not mention in their revised bye-laws that the term of office bearers should not extend the period prescribed in the constitution of YAI. Also, tenure limit indicated for Govt. Servant need some revision. Accordingly, vide letter dated 19-11-2015 (copy enclosed) YAI was requested to amend their constitution immediately and their amended bye-laws duly acknowledged by the concerned Registrar Societies should be submitted to the Ministry. Since the Ministry did not receive any response from YAI, they were reminded on 08-09-2016 to submit their amended bye-laws.

16. Vide letter dated 23-09-2016 YAI has forwarded their amended bye-laws which were filed with the Treasury Officer and Distt Registrar of Firms, Societies and Non Trading Corporations, Burdwan, West Bengal. While they have amended their bye-laws relating to office bearers age and tenure limits, voting by secret ballot under S.No.15,16,23,8,24,25 but they have not carried out the amendment w.r.t. our letter dated 19-11-2015. YAI was requested therein to amend their bye-laws in respect of Para 24.5 by stating that ‘the term of office bearers should not extend the period prescribed in the constitution of YAI’ and the tenure limit indicated in Para 25.1 (d) relating to Govt. Servant by revising at the end of this para as ‘or three years whichever is less’.

17. Vide letter dated 12-09-2016, YAI has informed that they have issued notice for holding General Body Meeting on 28-10-2016 at Chanakyapuri, New Delhi. One of the agenda item is to consider and adopt amendments to YAI’s General Rules. In the proposed amendment, they have incorporated the provisions as suggested by the Ministry under Par 24.5 and 25.1 (d).

18. In the written submission YAI has stated that some of the named petitioners have withdrawn/sought to withdraw themselves from the writ proceedings. It has been informed that Boardsailing Association of India and Royal Madras Yachting Club had withdrawn themselves from the writ proceedings. Further, the Goa Yachting Association and 420 Class Association of India had also instructed to the counsel to withdraw from the writ proceedings. Sh. Rahul Mehra, Advocate of the petitioners vide email dated 07-07-2016 has also requested to adjudicated upon the long pending representation at the earliest possible since the pleading are complete. In the para-wise reply w.r.t. to representation of the petitioner, it has been stated by YAI that the averments made by the
petitioner have no relevance to the issue raised in the representation. The representation made by petitioner before Secretary (Sports) in pursuance of Hon’ble High Court order had to be confined to the issues raised and/or reliefs sought by the petitioners in the writ proceedings.

19. The main issue in the W.P. was delay in conducting the election in the AGM and not conducting the same as per the provisions of the Sports Code. Since YAI have amended their constitution in accordance with the provisions of the Sports Code viz. conduct of elections in AGM and through secret ballot, the term of office bearers will not exceed the period prescribed in the constitution, the term for Govt. Servant contesting the election will be for one term or three years whichever is less etc., the grievances/objections of the petitioner stand addressed.

This has the approval of Secretary (Sports)

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to:-

1. Hony. Secretary General, Yachting Association of India, Room No. 403, 4th Floor, Chankya Bhawan, Chankyapuri, New Delhi – 110 0021. YAI is advised to complete the amendment at the earliest and inform the Ministry.
2. All concerned petitioners.
3. DG, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
4. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.

Copy for information to:-

1. PS to MOS (V/C) YAS.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports)

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
F.No.66-3/2015-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 17th November, 2016

ORDER

Sub:- Holding of elections of Shooting Ball Federation of India (SBFI) – matter regarding.

The last elections of SBFI was held on 26-07-2011 and was due in July, 2015. Two elections were conducted by two factions of the SBFI on different dates and venues. One faction conducted election on 11-10-2015 at Kamla Nagar, New Delhi while another faction held an election on 20-12-2015 at Jaipur, New Delhi. Both the factions submitted their election reports and the same was examined in the Ministry. On account of dispute in the management of the federation between two factions, it was decided with the approval of the competent authority, not to deal with either faction of the SBFI till the dispute in the management is settled by themselves. Accordingly, annual recognition for the year 2016 has not been granted to SBFI.

2. With a view to promote Shooting Ball sport and also keeping in view the interest of sportspersons, it has been decided that the elections of SBFI should be conducted afresh based on the electoral college which was in existence at the time of conducting the first elections i.e. on 11-10-2015.

3. It has also been decided that the elections will be conducted by Hon’ble Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan as Returning Officer at a neutral venue preferably in New Delhi/Delhi in accordance with the provisions of Sports Code and Model Election guidelines devised by the Ministry. Dispute if any, regarding the electoral college etc may be resolved in consultation with Hon’ble Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan. Similarly, venue for the elections should also be fixed in consultation with the Returning Officer to ensure free and transparent elections.

4. SBFI is directed to contact Hon’ble Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan immediately to work out the election schedule, venue etc. The terms and conditions of the remuneration is to be mutually agreed upon by SBFI and Hon’ble Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan. The expenditure for the elections will be borne by SBFI.

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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To

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2. Sh. M.L. Gupta, Shooting Ball Federation of India, E-134, Kamla Nagar, New Delhi-110005. (Mob:-9810083501)
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4. Sh. Manoj Sule, Shooting Ball Federation of India, C/o S.D. Public School, Raj Nagar Extension, Ghaziabad-201003 (UP)
5. Sh. R.S. Tomar, Shooting Ball Federation of India, Campus S.D. Public School, Raj Nagar Extension, Ghaziabad-201003 (UP). Mob:-9211567057 & 9213891736

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23382560
No.F.78-5/2015/SP.1
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 17th November, 2016

To

Shri Pankaj Lochan Mohanty
President,
Amateur Baseball Federation of India,
B-IV/317 B Keshavpuram
New Delhi-110035

Shri Sudhir Kumar,
Secretary General,
Amateur Baseball Federation of
# 3, Industrial Estate
Chambaghat, Solan, (HP)

Sub: Elections of Office Bearers of Amateur Baseball Federation of India (ABFI) held on 22nd August, 2016.

Sir,

In terms of Hon’ble Delhi High Court’s Order dated 28/4/2016, elections of Amateur Baseball Federation of India (ABFI) was to be conducted before 31/8/2016. Accordingly, election was conducted on 22/8/2016 under the supervision of Justice (Retd.) C.K. Mahajan appointed as Returning Officer. As per the report of the election of the office bearers for the period 2016 to 2020 wherein the following office bearers were elected has been noted in the records of the Deptt. as per details given below:-

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This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YA&S.

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Copy to:-

1. PS to Director General, SAI, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
2. Secretary General, IOA, New Delhi.
3. ED (Teams), SAI, New Delhi.
5. Deptt. of Personnel & Training (Under Secretary, Pay-I), North Block, New Delhi.
F. No. 84-3/2016-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Department of Sports
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 28th November 2016

To

Shri Dr. Ramesh Indoliya,
President,
Mallakhamb Federation of India,
Maruthi Nagar, Dhavolim, Post Navelim,
Salcete, GOA-403707.

Subject: Grant of recognition to Mallakhamb Federation of India as National Sports Federation.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your letter No.MFI/1/2016/85 dated 6/10/2016 on the subject cited above and to say that the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports agrees to recognize the Mallakhamb Federation of India (MFI) as a National Sports Federation (NSF) with immediate effect.

2. The recognition means granting a major role to Mallakhamb Federation of India, for development of the Mallakhamb sport.

3. The recognition is granted subject to continued observance of the following terms and conditions:-

a) The Office bearers of the Federation shall invariably be appointed by election as per the Model Election Guidelines issued by the Ministry. The various instructions issued by the Ministry, from time to time, including the age and tenure criteria, for holding the elective offices of the Federation shall be scrupulously followed. No person shall be allowed to hold the offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer (by whatever corresponding designation they are known) for more than the period prescribed in the Ministry’s instructions.

b) The Federation shall give at least two months’ advance notice to the Union Government for any change in its constitution. The copy of the existing Constitution and the proposed changes should invariably be sent along with the notice.

c) The Federation must maintain its accounts as per the Mercantile System of accounting. The Accounting year should be from 1st April to 31st March. The books of accounts shall always be open to inspection by authorized representatives of the Union Government.
d) The accounts of the Federation must be audited by a practising Chartered Accountant. Audited Statement of account should be sent to the Union Government within six months of the date of expiry of the accounting year.

e) The Federation must scrupulously abide by the guidelines of the Govt. issued from time to time for the conduct of national Championships, drawing of advance calendar for holding National Championships, player's grievance system in the management of the federations, etc.

f) The Federation shall have corresponding State/UT bodies affiliated to it in all the States/UTs within two years from the date of this recognition.

g) The Federation should also abide by the directions of the Union Govt. issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of sports among physically challenged sportspersons or its players or Public in general.

h) The Recognition can be reviewed by the Govt. in case Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the Mallakhamb Federation of India or its practices come into conflict with the Govt. Guidelines as amended from time to time.

i) The Ministry's Guidelines for selection procedure shall be followed by Boxing Federation of India. The tournaments shall be held for Men & Women at all levels i.e. National, State, District level for Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior categories.

j) The Federation shall scrupulously follow the Ministry's guidelines on RTI applicability and suo-moto disclosure of information on its website and appointment of a Public Information Officer and an Appellate Authority.

k) The Federation shall ensure strict compliance of the Government guidelines to prevent unethical practices in sports such as age fraud, prevention of sexual harassment of women in sports, Anti-doping, issuance of identity cards to sportspersons etc.

4. The Mallakhamb sport is placed in the 'Others' category.

5. The recognition may be withdrawn if:

a) any of the terms and conditions of the recognition are violated;
b) its own Constitution is violated;
c) directions issued by the Union Govt. are not complied with as required;
d) in the opinion of the Union Govt., the Federation is not functioning properly;
e) the recognition has been obtained by submitting false information or by misrepresentation of fact;
f) the concerned international Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the Federation.

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6. A copy of the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011, currently in force is enclosed herewith. This grant of recognition is subject to compliance of the same as modified from time to time, by the federation at all times including displaying information on their website as per the Sports Code.

7. The requests for financial assistance and clearance of proposals must be submitted in the prescribed manner. Assistance may be provided to the Federation subject to the availability of funds, submission of the relevant documents, fulfilment of the terms & conditions/guidelines etc., as may be prescribed from time to time.

8. Mallakhamb Federation of India has been granted recognition with the approval of the competent authority as National Sports Federation for promotion of Mallakhamb sport in India in relaxation of the existing condition of the provisions of the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 i.e. the Federation/Association must have actively existed for more than 3 years on the date of application for recognition and should have the recognition of IOA. The recognition is however subject to the condition that their bye-laws relating to the age and tenure limits of the office bearers have to be amended as per the National Sports Development Code of India-2011 at the earliest but before completion of two terms by the present office bearers of the Federation.

This issues with the approval of Hon’bleMOS(I/C) YAS.

Yours faithfully,

(Onkar Kedia)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel No.23381025

Encl: 1 Copy of Sports Code

.Copy to:-

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.
2. Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association, New Delhi.
3. ED (Teams), SAI, Khel Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi-110003.
4. DPIO (Sports), Room No.130, ‘A’ Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial (R-II), Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi – Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations.
6. Department of Personnel & Training (Under Secretary, Pay-I), North Block, New Delhi - Please include the name of this Federation in the list of recognized Federations.
To

Secretary General
Softball Association of India,
325-H, Gali No. 5 Bapa Nagar,
Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005.

Subject: Matter relating to the election of office bearers of the Softball Association
of India held on 10.7.2016 at Punjab Bhawan, Chandigarh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 29.10.2016 on the subject cited above and to say that the report of the election of office bearers for a period of four years term from 2016 to 2020 in respect of following officer bearers has examined in this office. The results of the election in respect of the following office bearers have been noted in the records:

(1) Shri Gurmeet Singh Sodhi - President
(2) Shri L.R. Maurya - Secretary General
(3) Shri Shrikant Thorat - Treasurer

This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS(I/C) YA&S.

Yours faithfully,

[A.K.Patro]
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Immediate

F.No.9-7/2014-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 2nd January, 2017

To

The Secretary,
Sports Authority of India,
Khel Bhawan, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi-110003

Sub:- Renewal of annual recognition to National Sports Federations (NSFs) for the year 2017.

Sir,

It has been decided to renew the annual recognition for the year 2017 i.e. up to 31st December, 2017 to the 48 NSFs indicated in the list at Annexure-I. Accordingly, these NSFs are eligible to receive various assistance from Government of India including railway concessions etc., as may be admissible to them during the aforesaid period of their recognition.

2. 7 NSFs namely All India Chess Federation, Hockey India, Amateur Soft Tennis Federation of India, Indian Body Builders Federation, Table Tennis Federation of India, Cycling Federation of India and Karate Association of India have fully complied with the instructions on suo-moto disclosure of required information of the Ministry. The remaining 41 NSFs either do not have their own websites or have not hosted complete information on their websites as per the instruction of the Ministry on suo-moto disclosure. These NSFs are directed to do the needful by 31st March, 2017, failing which, their annual recognition for 2017 will be reviewed.

3. This issues with the approval of the Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully,

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)

Encl: Annexure-I (48 NSFs).

Copy to:-
1. PS to Hon’ble MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. President /Secretary General or General Secretary of all the NSFs in Annexure-I.
Copy also for information and necessary action to:-

1. DG, NADA.
2. E.D.(Teams)/ED(Finance), SAI, Khel Bhawan, New Delhi
3. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial ® - II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi for necessary action.
5. Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), North Block, New Delhi.
7. NIC, MYAS for placing the same on the website of the Ministry.
8. Director (Finance), Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.
9. US (SP-II & IV)
10. US (ID)/ US (PYKKA)
11. Section Officer (SP-II)/ (SP-III)/ (SP-IV)/ (SP-V)/ (SP-VI)/ (Fin).

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
### ANNEXURE I

GIVEN ANNUAL RECOGNITION FOR THE YEAR 2017

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Immediate

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated the 12th January, 2017.

To
1. Shri Chaudhary Avadesh Kumar,
   President,
   Volleyball Federation of India,
   7, Laxmi Road, Dehradun,
   Uttarakhand–248 001.

2. Shri Ramavtar Singh Jakhar,
   Secretary General,
   Volleyball Federation of India
   E—268, Lal Kothi Scheme,
   Near Vidhan Sabha, Jaipur
   Rajasthan – 302 015.

Subject:- Suspension of Volleyball Federation of India (VFI).

Sir,
VFI has been granted recognition by the Ministry as National Sports Federation for
promotion of Volleyball sport.

2. AND WHEREAS an Arbitration Petition has been filed by Shri Avadesh Kumar Vs. Shri
   Ram Avatar Singh Jakhar in the Patiala House Court, New Delhi.

3. AND WHEREAS an appeal has been filed by Shri Ram Avatar Jakhar Vs. Shri Avadesh
   Kumar in the High Court of New Delhi.

4. AND WHEREAS it is noticed that there is dispute in the management of VFI and in view
   of foregoing, the Government is of the view that VFI is unable to govern and administer the sport
   of volleyball in India.
5. AND WHEREAS the Federation Internationale De Volleyball (the international body for Volleyball sport to which VFI is affiliated) vide its letter dated 09.12.2016 has provisionally suspended VFI upon request of Asian Volleyball Confederation.

6. AND WHEREAS in view of foregoing, the Government is of the view that VFI has violated the terms and conditions of recognition.

7. AND WHEREAS under the given situation the Government is left with no choice but to suspend Volleyball Federation of India in accordance with the provisions under clause I (i), (vii), (xi) of Annexure-III of Scheme of Assistance to NSFs.

8. In view of above, the Government hereby suspends the recognition of VFI with immediate effect till further orders.

10. This has the approval of competent authority.

Encl: As above.

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tele/Fax: 2338 2560.

Copy for necessary action to:-
1. Executive Director (Teams Division), Sports Authority of India, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Joint Director, Traffic Commercial –II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, rail Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
3. Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training, North Block, New Delhi.
4. Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi.
5. Services Sports Control Board, New Delhi.
6. Shri Alok Deswal, DPIO.
Copy for information to:
1. PS to MOS(I/C) YAS.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports).
3. PS to Joint Secretary (Sports).
4. PS to Joint Secretary (Development)
5. Director (Finance)/ Director (PYKKA)
6. Deputy Secretary (NSDF)/ Deputy Secretary (Sports).
8. Section Officer (SP-II)/ (SP-III)/ (SP-IV)/ (SP-V)/ (SP-VI)/ (Fin.).

(A.K.Patro)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Tele/Fax: 23382560.
ORDER

Sub:- Order dated 07-09-2016 of Hon’ble Delhi High Court in WP No.9168/2015 & CM Application No.20899/2015 filed by Sh. Pradeep Kumar Vs UOI, SAI, SOB & Ors – compliance thereof.

Special Olympic Bharat (SOB) has been recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) as National Sports Federation (NSF) which is responsible for promotion of sports among intellectually disabled sportspersons. The Ministry supplements the efforts of NSF's including that of SOB by providing financial assistance as per the provisions of the Scheme of “Assistance to National Sports Federation.”

2. Sh. Pradeep Kumar had filed WP No.9168/2015 in which MYAS, SAI, SOB, R:ztd. Air Marshal Denzil Keelor, CEO, SOB & Sh. Victor R. Vaz, National Sports Director, SOB were impleaded as respondents and had sought the following relief:-

a) direct the respondent No.1 and 2 (MYAS & SAI) for directing inquiry by an independent agency preferably by CBI into the illegalities, corruption and favoritism in selection of the sportspersons of intellectual disability category and the coaches to represent the country in the 14th Summer Olympics to be held in Los Angeles, USA.

b) direct the respondent No.1 & 2 (MYAS & SAI) for directing inquiry by an independent agency preferably by CBI for inquiry into malfunctioning, financial and other irregularities in the affairs of the respondent No.2.

c) direct the respondents to cancel the final list dated 12-06-2015 of athletes and coaches and other support staff for the 14th Summer Olympics to be held in Los Angeles, USA.

3. He had also filed CM Application No.20899/2015 seeking the following reliefs:-

i. direct the respondent No.1&2 to initiate an inquiry by independent agency preferably by Central Bureau of Investigation into the allegations, corruption and favoritism in selection of the sportspersons of intellectual disability category and the coaches to represent the country in the 14th Special Olympics World Summer Games held in Los Angeles, USA.

ii. direct the respondent No.1&2 to initiate an inquiry by an independent agency preferably by Central Bureau of Investigation for inquiry into malfunctioning, financial and other irregularities in the affairs of the respondent No.4.

ii.i direct the removal of respondent no.5 from the post of CEO and trustee emeritus and further declare that his appointment and holding of these position are in violation of the guidelines/policy.

iw. direct the respondent No.4 to remove respondent No.6 as the National Sports Director and National Coach and further declare that his appointment and holding these position are in violation of the guidelines/policy and further direct an inquiry into his working on the above said posts.

vi. pass such further order or orders as this Hon’ble Court deems fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

4. Since SAI is also one of the respondent in the case, they had conducted an enquiry on the basis of report submitted by SOB and filed an affidavit before the Hon’ble Court stating as under:-

i. Selection of athletes has been done as per the stipulated direction. The selection committee was headed by a Senior Air Marshal with impeccable integrity.

ii. As per the stipulated guidelines no athlete can be recommended to participate for the second time for the world game. Mr. Arun had participated in the Special Olympics Summer Games at Athens, hence this complaint was not found valid.

iii. An independent enquiry was constituted to ascertain validity of complaints against Mr. Victor Vaz National Sports Director. As per the findings made available there has been no instance of interference or manipulations by Mr. Victor in the Selection Procedure. Hence complaint of having taken money as gratification for selection of Athletes/Coaches was found to be not prove as no evidence to support the same was there.

5. Vide order dated 07-09-2016 Hon’ble High Court of Delhi disposed off the writ petition with the following directions, the operative portion of which is reproduced below:-

“Though we are not inclined to enter into the various issues raised by the petitioner and express any opinion as to the correctness of the allegations made, we consider it appropriate to direct the respondent No.2/Union of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports to look into the contents of the writ petition treating the same as a representation and pass an appropriate order in accordance with law after giving an opportunity of being heard to the Respondent Nos.4 to 6 as well as the writ petitioner. Such an order shall be passed within eight weeks from today and a copy of the same shall be communicated to all parties. If aggrieved, the parties are at liberty to challenge the order that may be passed by working out the appropriate remedy available under law.”

6. The above order has been obtained from the website on 30-09-2016 and immediately SOB vide letter dated 30-09-2016 to furnish their detailed comments. SOB vide letter dated 04-10-2016 has submitted their comments wherein it has been informed that the Hon’ble Court directed SOB to allow participation of Sh. Davender Singh in the Special Olympics World Summer Games, 2015 held in Los Angles (USA). SOB initiated immediate action for issue of visa to Sh. Devender Singh and the details of action taken was submitted to Hon’ble Court by an additional affidavit by it. Inspite of their sincere effort with Games Organizing Committee to accommodate Sh. Devender Singh, the organizer did not accept the candidature of Sh. Devender Singh to participate. The SOB has also mentioned the names of officials who are entrusted with the sports activities of SOB as under:-
7. Pursuant to Hon'ble High Court's order as mentioned in para 4 above, it was decided to give personal hearing to the petitioner i.e. Sh. Pradeep Kumar on 22-11-2016 at 1130 hrs before Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda, Director (Sports). Notice was issued accordingly. Sh. Pradeep Kumar did not attend the hearing on 22-11-2016. It was decided that another opportunity be given to Sh. Pradeep Kumar for attending the hearing on 29-11-2016 at 1100 hrs. It has also been decided to issue notice to CEO (SOB), National Director (SOB) & Chairman (SOB) for attending the hearing on 29-11-2016 at 1130 hrs, 1200 hrs & 1230 hrs respectively. Air Marshal Denzil Keelor, CEO, SOB attended the hearing at 11:30 hrs and Sh. Victor R. Vaz, National Sports Director, SOB attended the hearing at 1200 hrs before Director (Sports) of the Ministry. However, Sh. Pradeep Kumar did not attend the hearing on 29-11-2016. It was decided to give one more opportunity to him for attending the hearing on 07-12-2016 at 11.00 hrs. Also, it was decided that the Chairman, SOB who could not attend the hearing on 29-11-2016 be asked to attend the hearing on the same date i.e. 07-12-2016 at 11:30 hrs.

8. Sh. Pradeep Kumar did not attend the hearing even on 07-12-2016. However, Chairman, SOB attended the hearing. During the hearing held on 29-11-2016, it has come to the notice of the Ministry that the voting right is restricted to only 12 trustees of the federation and the representatives of the states do not have voting rights. Director (Sports) informed CEO, SOB during the hearing that this is against the spirit of the Sports Code. To ensure that the federation represents the whole country, the representatives of the State Associations should be made eligible to vote so that a proper elected representative body is in place as office bearers and the elections are conducted in a fair and transparent manner.

9. CEO (SOB) in his written submission has stated that the selection of athletes and coaches was done as per directive number 22/2011 of SOB which has been approved and ratified by Special Olympics International. All directives and instructions issued by MYAS and SAI have been complied with and there have been no violation. Further, it was informed by CEO that the selection of athletes and coaches was done by an independent board constituted as per the Directive 22/2011. It had six members including a representative from SAI.

10. Regarding Registration with Person with Disability Act, 1995, Chairman (SOB) has informed that since SOB is not working for the rehabilitation of the athletes and coaches, therefore Person with Disability Act 1995 is not applicable for them. Further, Chairman, SOB vide his letter dated 08-12-2016 has informed that the Person with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 was enacted in 1995 to give effect to the Proclamation on the Full Participation and Equality of the People with Disability in the Asian & Pacific Region. It largely aims to spell out the responsibility of the state towards the prevention of disabilities, protection of rights, provision of medical care, education, training, employment and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.

11. As regards selection of athletes, it has been reported that the selection of athletes and coaches was finalized in the month of Sept 2014 for the team which was to depart and participate in the WSG July 2015. The first complaint against the selection of team was received in May 2015 after a time lag of eight months, which was anonymous followed by other anonymous complaints. Immediately on receipt of the complaints an inquiry was conducted by CEO, SOB and no observation of fraudulent and unfair selection was noticed. However, on further complaints an independent inquiry was constituted with Sh. Amitav Mishra as presiding officer
who submitted a comprehensive report about the selection procedure/methods adopted for selection and other aspects.

12. Regarding removal of CEO & National Director of SOB as prayed by the petitioner, it is stated that they are not the office bearers of SOB as per the record of the Ministry. Chairman, SOB in his written submission after the hearing has informed that Air Marshal Denzil Keelor, is the Founder Trustee and Chairman Emeritus of the organization. He is working in an Honorary capacity to guide the growth and activities of the SOB and the organization has undergone phenomenal growth under his guidance and vision. Further, it has been stated that the appointment of Sh. Victor R Vaz as National Director, Sports attributes to his certification as Regional Coach of Special Olympic International besides having a vast experience as a sportsman and a coach due to which he was selected as a National Coach by SAI.

13. As per the record of the Ministry, the last election of SOB was held on 20-03-2014 and the following office bearers were elected:-

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<td>Shri Satish Pillai 14.08.1951</td>
<td>Chairman</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Air Marshal S.K. Malik 22.07.1945</td>
<td>Vice Chairman</td>
<td>President SOB, Delhi unit</td>
<td>Pensioner</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Shri Bibek Bardhan 04.05.1954</td>
<td>Vice Chairman</td>
<td>President SOB, West Bengal</td>
<td>Business</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Dr. D.G. Chaudhary 01.06.1964</td>
<td>Vice Chairman</td>
<td>President SOB, Gujarat</td>
<td>Salary &amp; Business</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Dr. Amitav Mishra 01.02.1969</td>
<td>Treasurer</td>
<td>Area Director SOB, U.P. unit</td>
<td>Central Government Officer</td>
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14. Vide letter dated 09-09-2015 SOB was informed that the election of Air Marshal S.K. Malik who has attained the age of 70 years is not considered as valid and therefore should demit the office immediately. Also, the election of Dr. Amitav Mishra elected as Treasurer who is a Govt. Servant but did not obtain NOC from his employer before election is not considered as valid and it was advised that he should also demit his office. Therefore, it is evident that there is no violation of age and tenure clause of the Sports Code in the elections of the office bearers.

15. Chairman, SOB in his written submission has also stated that in compliance with the SOB-directive No.22/2011 a Selection Committee was constituted for selection of athletes and coaches for the World Summer Games held in 2015 as under:-

i. Air Marshal (Retd) S.K. Malik (Chairman Selection Committee) - WSG 2015 - Member
ii. Mr. IH Surati, Trustee SO-Bharat - Member
iii. Mrs. Sandra Vaz, National Trainer, SO-Bharat - Member
iv. Area Director, Host State - Member
v. Mr. Victor Vaz, National Sports Director - Member
vi. Technical representative of S.A.I, Host state - Member
Athletes and Coaches are selected as probables in a process that is undertaken during various National Championships organized by SO Bharat from time to time. Thereafter the Athletes and Coaches are short listed in two preparatory camps. After the third Camp, a list of Main and Alternate Athletes and Coaches is finalized as per quota allotted by the Games Organizing Committee of SOI, for each sport to SO Bharat. There were anonymous complaint received by SOB before departure of team for the World Summer Games, 2015 and an internal enquiry has been conducted and they did not find any evidence of malpractices and fraudulent methods of selection.

16. In the directive 22/2011 rules and procedures of selection of athletes has been prescribed. The Ministry does not involve itself in the selection of athletes and coaches which is the responsibility of SOB as the entity governing the sport. Allegations with regard to irregularities in the selection of athletes/coaches has already been inquired by SAI as stated in para 4. Appointment of CEO and National Sports Director is an internal matter of SAI as they are not elected office bearers. Further, as stated in para 8 above, SOB need to include the provision of voting by all the representatives of the states to ensure that a proper elective representative body is in place. Accordingly, the amendment of their constitution is needed and should be completed within a period of 6 months from the date of issue of this order and compliance report is submitted by SOB to this Ministry with a copy of their amended constitution.

17. SOB would put in place a mechanism whereby a system of all the State/UT Units are given voting right for election to the various posts of the national level body. Similarly, the affiliated State/UT Units would give voting right to their district units for election to the various posts of State/UT Units. Such mechanism shall be devised and made operational within a period of 6 months.

This has the approval of Secretary (Sports).

(Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
Tel No.23383336

Copy to:-

1. Sh. Pradeep Kumar, R/o WZ- D-6, Bal Udhyam Road, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059
4. Director General, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, CGO Complex, New Delhi
5. ED (Teams), Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
6. Deputy Director (legal) SAI, JLN Stadium, New Delhi-110003
7. IPS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
8. IP to Secretary (Sports)
Copy for information to:-

1. PS to MOS (I/C) YAS.
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports)
3. PPS to JS (Sports)

(Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda)
Director (Sports)
Tel No.23383336
F.No. 62-11/2009-SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 1st January, 2017

To
Secretary General,
Rowing Federation of India,
Old No. 7, New No. 15, Shri Ram Colony,
Alwarpet, Chennai - 600018

Subject: Election of office bearers of Rowing Federation of India - matter regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 04.01.2017 on the subject cited above and to say that the report of the election of the office bearers for a period of four years term 2016-2020 wherein the following office bearers were elected, has been examined in the Ministry and the elections conducted has been accepted as valid and the same has been noted in our records.

(i) Smt. Rajlaxmi Singh Deo -President -for 2nd term
(ii) Shri Girish Phadnis -Secretary General -for 1st term
(iii) Shri M. Balaji -Treasurer -for 1st term

2. This issues with the approval of the Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. PS to MOS(I/C)YAS
2. PS to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to JS(SP)/ JS(Development)
4. ED(Teams) SAI, JLN Stadium Complex (East Gate), Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
5. Secretary General, IOA, New Delhi
6. DG, NADA, New Delhi
7. Joint Director, Traffic Commercial- II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
8. DoPT, North Block, New Delhi
9. Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), North Block, New Delhi
10. PS to Director (SPH)/ Director (YK)
11. US (SP-II), US(SP-IV), US(SP-V), US(SP-VI)
12. SO(SP-II), SO(SP-III), SO(SP-IV), SO(SP-V), SO(SP-VI)
13. NIC, MYAS with a request to post the same in the website of the Ministry.
F.No. 80-7/2016- SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated: 08th February, 2017

To
The Secretary General
S.G.F.I.,
Campus Radha Ballabh Inter College,
Shahganj, Agra (U.P.) –282 010.

Subject: Election of office bearers of School Games Federation of India (SGFI)

Sir,

A reference is invited to SGFI's letter dated 23.07.2016 regarding holding of election of SGFI on 25.06.2016. Election report of Returning Officer and Government Observer were examined in this Department. It is noticed that in the constitution of SGFI there is no provision of Working President and Sr. Vice President. Hence there will be no Working President and Sr. Vice President in the Executive Body of SGFI. Besides this, the election of SGFI is in accordance with its constitution and the election guidelines of MYAS. Hence the election of SGFI has been accepted and the following office bearers have been taken on record:

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This has the approval of Hon’ble MOS(I/C) YAS

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
F. No. 92-5/2009/SP-I
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated 9th February 2017.

To

Secretary General,
Sepaktakraw Federation of India,
H.No. 110, Nangloi Extension-3,
Nangloi, New Delhi-110041.

Subject:- Election of office bearers of the Sepaktakraw Federation of India held on 29.7.2016 at Hyderabad.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 9.1.2017 on the subject cited above and to say the report of the election of office bearers for a period for a period of four years terms from April 2016 to April 2020 in respect of follow office bears of has examined in this office. The results of the election in respect of the following office bears have been noted in the records:-

1. Shri S. R. Premraj - President
2. Shri Yogender Singh Dahiya - Secretary General
3. Shri Sireh S.M. - Treasurer

This issues with the approval of Hon’ble MOS(I/C) Ya&S.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tele/fax:23382560

Copy to PS to MOS
2. DG, SAI, New Delhi.
3. Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. DOPT North Block, New Delhi.
F. No. 38-1/2012-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Department of Sports

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 30th March, 2017

To
1. President
   Jump Rope Federation of India,
   Blooming Kids Convent School,
   B-70, Lal Bagh, Loni, Ghaziabad,
   Uttar Pradesh-201102

2. Secretary General,
   Jump Rope Federation of India,
   Blooming Kids Convent School,
   B-70, Lal Bagh, Loni, Ghaziabad,
   Uttar Pradesh-201102

Subject: Show Cause notice to Jump Rope Federation of India (JRFI)-reg.

Sir/Madam,

Jump Rope Federation of India (JRFI) has been granted recognition by the Ministry as National Sports Federation (NSF) for development of sport of Jump Rope in the country.

1. AND WHEREAS while applying for Government recognition, JRFI informed that it had affiliation with the Federation International de-saut a la corde-International Rope Skipping Federation (FISAC-IRSF).

2. AND WHEREAS the Guidelines for Recognition of NSF's states that "Where an international federation for the sports exists, the National Federation must be affiliated to the respective international federation."

3. AND WHEREAS the Guidelines for Recognition of NSF's also states that, "Wherever the National Federation is affiliated to an international federation, it must provide the Department with an attestation from the international federation certifying that the National Federation is a member in good standing."

4. AND WHEREAS one of the conditions for withdrawal of recognition is when the concerned International Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the federation.

5. AND WHEREAS the Federation International de-saut a la corde-International Rope Skipping Federation (FISAC-IRSF), the international body for Rope Skipping/Jump Rope sport has informed, vide its letter dated 27.02.2017, that JRFI is no more affiliated with them.
6. In view of the above, JRFI is asked to show cause as to why the Government recognition should not be withdrawn for violation of conditions stated above.

7. The reply of the Federation should be submitted to the Ministry within 7(Seven) days of receipt of this notice failing which it would be construed that the Federation has nothing to say in the matter and action will be taken accordingly.

8. This has the approval of Secretary (Sports)

[A.K. Patro]
Under Secretary Government of India
Tel: 23382560
To
Jt. Secretary General,
Yachting Association of India,
Room No.403, 4th Floor,
Chanchaya Bhawan, Chankya Puri,
New Delhi – 110 021.

Subject: Elections of Yachting Association of India (YAI) held on 29th November, 2016 at Delhi – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to YAI letter dated 30.11.2016 forwarding therewith the report of the elections, to the various posts of the Yachting Association of India, held on 29th November, 2016 at Delhi.

The election report of YAI for the period 2016-2019 has been examined in this office and the election of the following office bearers who have been elected in the said elections have been noted in the records of this Ministry:-

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Lt. Gen. Rajiv Bhalla (Retd.) who has been elected as Sr. Vice President is presently working in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports as Advisor. Hence, he may be advised to step down and the election for the said post may be held afresh, if considered necessary, as per the provisions of Sports Code.

This has the approval of Secretary (Sports)

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Tele/Fax: 23382560.

Copy for necessary action to:-
1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, Khel Bhawan, C.G.O Complex, Lodhi Road,
   New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Joint Director, Traffic Commercial –II, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, rail
   Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
No.8-47/2010-SP.III
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports
(SP.III Section)

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Date: 14th February, 2017

To
President/Secretary General
All NSFs of High Priority/
Priority disciplines (as per list)

Sub: Guidelines for Appointment of Government Observers for various sports disciplines

Sir,
For quite some time, Government has been considering measures to make the institution of Government Observers (GOs) more vibrant, efficient and accountable. After careful consideration and detailed discussions, it has been decided to revise the guidelines for appointment of Government Observers for various sports disciplines. The revised guidelines, prescribe the roles and responsibilities, criteria for selection, tenure, honorarium, appraisal, etc. for GOs, which are as under:-

Roles & Responsibilities of GOs:

1. To function as the eyes and ears of the Government of India with respect to ensuring free and transparent selection of teams.

2. To visit the venues of the national coaching camps and report the status of availability of sports infrastructure/equipment, quality of scientific back-up and medical facilities being made available to the campers.

3. To observe, analyze, review and report on the performance of Indian and foreign coaches and the progress of performance of the campers.

4. To observe selection of National teams for foreign training/competitions, the conduct of National coaching camps and important national or international competitions held in India.

5. To submit a report to MYAS within 72 hours after the selection proceedings are conducted. He/She shall not sign the report of the selection committee.
6. To monitor the performance of the National teams in international tournaments held in India and abroad.

7. To give special focus on sub-junior and junior level training and competitions.

8. To examine complaints, if any, from players and other stakeholders by taking up the matter with the NSF concerned for redressal. He/She will also forward a separate report to MYAS on the matter immediately.

9. To attend the meetings of the Steering Committee for scrutinizing the ACTC proposals of NSFs/National Sports Promotion Organizations (NSPOs) of their respective disciplines for financial assistance under the 'Scheme of Assistance to NSFs'.

10. To provide technical advice to Sports Authority of India (SAI)/NSF in formulating Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) and Annual Programme of Activities (APAs) for each year.

11. To maintain data-base on the performance profile of individual athletes as well as coaches.

12. To help (i) identify medal prospects under TOP Scheme (ii) finalise training programmes of chosen athletes (iii) monitor their performance.

13. To be deputed with the National team for one or two selected international exposures per year to monitor the arrangements and performance of the team. However, this would be done only for important competitions with the previous approval of the competent authority.

14. Each GO would be given a specific area of activity and will be completely responsible and accountable to the MYAS for their area of work.

15. To also submit a quarterly report on the various issues to MYAS / SAI (as per format).

16. To make suggestions, if any, for the development of their sports disciplines.

17. Any other work, assigned by MYAS / SAI.
Criteria for Selection of GOs:

The selection for appointment of GOs will be made by a Search-cum-Selection Committee constituted for the purpose comprising Secretary (Sports), MYAS; DG, SAI/Secretary (SAI); Joint Secretary (Sports) and an eminent sportsperson.

Applications for the post of GOs will be invited by MYAS by way of advertisement. The Committee may also consider other deserving persons who have not applied.

The eligibility criteria for appointment will be as follows:

1. He/She should have thorough knowledge and understanding of the respective sport or its technical knowledge.

2. He/She should be aware of the changing trends/recent changes in the methods of training/coaching in the sport.

3. He/She should be a non-active sportsperson.

4. He/She should preferably be an Olympian/ international medal winner/national award winner, former chief national coach/coach having produced outstanding international winners/outstanding sports academician having PhD in sports and allied disciplines.

5. Government Observer should not have been an office bearer in any NSF two years prior to such an appointment and also not currently involved with any NSF. He/she should give an undertaking that in the event of his selection, he/she shall not take up any assignment as an office bearer for the next two years after demitting office as a Government Observer.

6. Government Observer should be willing to devote time to his duties as a GO and physically and medically fit. He should be willing to undertake extensive travel.

7. There should not be any penalty imposed or charge sheet pending against the applicant.

8. He/She should have finished active sporting career at least five years back.
An observer should be within the age bracket of 40 to 70 years.

(i) Each sports discipline may have a maximum of 2 GOs – 1 male and 1- female. Where a sports discipline has multiple disciplines (e.g. Athletics) more than 2 GOs may be considered.

(ii) A person running an academy will not be ineligible, because an Observer has no direct role in the selection of a national team. However, whenever there is an occasion of his/her candidate being selected, he will recuse himself from such proceedings.

Terms & Conditions for appointment:

(i) The tenure of Government Observers would be two years, extendable by another 2 years at a time. However, total tenure should not be more than 4 years under normal circumstances.

(ii) The appointment may be cancelled by the Govt. any time without assigning any reason or without any notice.

Honorarium :

The Government Observers would be paid monthly remuneration upto Rs.75,000/- per month. Higher remuneration may be allowed in truly deserving cases with the approval of the Minister in charge of Sports. If engaged on a part-time basis, an observer may be paid Rs. 2,000/- per day as honorarium. For any travel undertaken by observers in connection with discharge of duty as Government Observer, TA / DA at rates applicable to an officer of Government of India with grade pay of Rs. 8700/- will paid. The expenditure incurred on Observers will be debited to the national coaching camp head of the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs.

Appraisal :

Performance appraisal of the Observers would be done by a Standing Committee Chaired by Director General, SAI and a representative of MYAS of JS/Director level, ED (Teams) and ED, NSNIS, Patiala as Members. The Committee may co-opt experts/sportspersons from various disciplines as Members of the Standing Committee. The Committee would scrutinize the quarterly reports sent by the GOs (Annexure-I) and also do the annual appraisal (Annexure-II). On the basis of these appraisals, a decision will be taken on extending the tenure of the GOs.
The Committee would also review the guidelines at least once in 2 years and amend/revise the guidelines with the approval of the Hon'ble MOS (I/C), MYAS.

**Misc.:**

(i) The Search-cum-Selection Committee may recommend a foreigner as a Govt. Observer in very deserving cases with full justification in writing. His / her case will be treated like a foreign coach under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs.

(ii) Any deviation from these guidelines can be permitted only with the approval of the Hon'ble MOS (I/C), YA&S. If the deviation has financial implications, IFD of the Department will be consulted.

This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS (I/C).

Yours faithfully,

\[\text{(A.K. Patro)}\]

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
PROFORMA FOR REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OBSERVER TO BE FILLED QUARTERLY

1. Name of the sports discipline ..........................................................
2. Period of the national coaching camp from ......................... to .........
3. Number of coaches: Indian .................................. Foreign .............
4. Camp organized in preparation for:
   ........................................................................................................
5. Status of:
i) Sports infrastructure and equipments made available for the camp
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ii) Boarding and lodging arrangements
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iii) Scientific back up
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iv) Medical facilities
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v) Doping or any other issues
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6. Training sessions attended / observed
   ........................................................................................................
7. Appraisal / analysis / review of:
i) Performance of Indian coaches attached to the camps
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ii) Performance of Foreign coaches attached to the camps
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iii) Performance of team / players / trainees under each foreign coach
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Contd....2
iv) Implementation of Annual Plan / LTDP

8. Selection Trials

i) Selection Trials Observed

ii) Observation on organization and fairness of selection trials

9. Competitions

i) Competitions observed

ii) Observations about the performance of contingent and the quality of organization of the competition.

10. Official meetings attended during the period of report.

11 Specific suggestions for improvement

12. Any other

Signature

Name ........................................
Address .....................................
Email ........................................
Mobile No. .................................

Director General
SAI
PROFORMA FOR ANNUAL REPORT APPRAISAL OF GOVERNMENT OBSERVER

1. Name of the Observer .................................................................

2. Sports Discipline ...........................................................................

3. Submission of the monthly / quarterly report Regular / Irregular

4. Visits to the venue of National Coaching Camps & submission of reports regarding the Facilities

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

5. Observation of selection trials and submission of reports

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

6. Observation of national level competitions and submission of reports

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

7. Observation of International level competitions and submission of reports

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

8. Rendering of technical advice for preparation of LTDP

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

9. Assistance rendered at the meeting of the Steering committee for scrutinizing the proposal of financial assistance to the NSF

   Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

10. Submission of reports regarding the performance of the Indian coaches, Foreign coaches and campers

    Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

11. Resolutions of complaints of management/coaches/campers/other stake holders

    Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

12. Performance of Junior and Sub juniors at international competitions

    Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

13. Overall assessment

    Grading 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

14. General remarks:

   Director General
   SAI

Secretary (Sports)
MYAS
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Search-cum-Selection Committee for selection for appointment of Government Observers.

The comprehensive guidelines for appointment of Government Observers for various sports disciplines, their functions, criteria for selection, tenure etc. have been issued vide Order of even number dated 14.02.2017. Now, it has been decided to constitute the following Committee for the purpose of selection for appointment of Government Observers (GOs).

| 1. Secretary (Sports)          | Chairman        |
| 2. Director General, SAI / Secretary, SAI | Member |
| 3. Joint Secretary (Sports)    | Member |
| 4. Eminent Sportsperson        | Shri Jagbir Singh, Olympian (Hockey) |
|                                | Member |

2. The committee will make selection for appointment of GOs and may also consider other deserving persons who have not applied for appointment as Government Observer.

3. At present, the Government Observers will be engaged for all sports disciplines of ‘High Priority’ category and Football, Swimming and Table Tennis in ‘Priority’ category.

4. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel:23382560

To

1. PS to MOS (I/C), YAS.
2. S.O. to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to DG, SAI
4. Joint Secretary (Sports)
5. Secretary, SAI
6. Director (Sports)
No.8-47/2010-SP.III
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports
(SP.III Section)

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Date: 1st March, 2017

To
President/Secretary General
All NSF's of High Priority/
Priority disciplines (as per list)

Sub: Guidelines for Appointment of National Observers for various sports disciplines

Sir,

In supersession of this department’s letter dated 14th February, 2017 regarding 'Guidelines for Appointment of Government Observers for various sports disciplines', the revised guidelines, prescribing the roles and responsibilities, procedure for appointment, tenure, honorarium, appraisal, etc. for National Observers (formerly known as 'Government Observers') are as under:-

Roles & Responsibilities of National Observers:

1. To function as the eyes and ears of the Government of India with respect to ensuring free and transparent selection of teams.

2. To visit the venues of the national coaching camps and report the status of availability of sports infrastructure/equipment, quality of scientific back-up and medical facilities being made available to the campers.

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Yours sincerely,

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Date: 10th March, 2017

To
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No. 8-47/2010-SP.III
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports
(SP.III Section)

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Date: 11th March, 2016

To

President/Secretary General
All NSPs of High Priority/
Priority disciplines (as per list)

Sub: Guidelines for Appointment of Government Observers
for various sports disciplines

Sir,

For quite some time, Government has been considering measures to make the institution of Government Observers more vibrant, efficient and accountable. After careful consideration and detailed discussions, it has been decided to revise the guidelines for appointment of Government Observers for various sports disciplines. As per the revised guidelines, the guidelines prescribe the roles and responsibilities, criteria for selection, tenure, honorarium, appraisal, etc. for GOs, which are as under:-

Roles & Responsibilities of GOs:

1. To function as the eyes and ears of the Government of India with respect to ensuring free and transparent selection of teams.

2. To visit the venues of the national coaching camps and report the status of availability of sports infrastructure/equipment, quality of scientific back-up and medical facilities being made available to the campers.

3. To observe, analyze, review and report on the performance of Indian and foreign coaches and the progress of performance of the campers.

4. To observe selection of National teams for foreign training/competitions, the conduct of National coaching camps and important national or international competitions held in India.
5. To submit a report to MYAS within 72 hours after the selection proceedings are conducted. He/She shall not sign the report of the selection committee.

6. To monitor the performance of the National teams in international tournaments held in India and abroad.

7. To give special focus on sub-junior and junior level training and competitions.

8. To examine complaints, if any, from players and other stakeholders by taking up the matter with the NSF concerned for redressal. He/She will also forward a separate report to MYAS on the matter immediately.

9. To attend the meetings of the Steering Committee for scrutinizing the ACTC proposals of NSFs/National Sports Promotion Organizations (NSPOs) of their respective disciplines for financial assistance under the 'Scheme for Assistance to NSFs'.

10. To provide technical advice to Sports Authority of India (SAI)/NSF in formulating Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) and Annual Programme of Activities (APAs) for each year.

11. To maintain data base on the performance profile of individual athletes as well as coaches.

12. To be deputed with the National team for one or two selected international exposures per year to monitor the arrangements and performance of the team. However, this would be done only for important competitions with the previous approval of the competent authority.

13. Each GO would be given a specific area of activity and will be completely responsible and accountable to the MYAS for their areas of work.

14. To also submit a quarterly report on the various issues to MYAS / SAI (as per format).

15. To make suggestions, if any, for the development of their sports disciplines.

16. Any other work, assigned by MYAS / SAI.
Criteria for Selection of GOs:

The selection for appointment of GOs should be made by a Committee constituted for the purpose comprising Secretary (Sports), MYAS; DG, SAI/Secretary (SAI); and an eminent sports personality.

Applications for the post of GOs would be invited by MYAS by way of advertisement. In case the requisite number of applications are not received from eligible applicants, MYAS would identify possible appointees and the Committee would consider them for appointment.

The eligibility criteria for appointment will be as follows:

1. He/She should have thorough knowledge and understanding of the respective sport or its technical knowledge.
2. He/She should be aware of the changing trends/recent changes in the methods of training/coaching in the sport.
3. He/She should be a non-active sportsperson.
4. He/She should preferably be - an Olympian/ international medal winner/national award winner, former chief national coach/coach having produced outstanding international winners/former chief coach in reputed academics/outstanding sports academician having PhD in sports and allied disciplines.
5. Government Observer should not have been an office bearer in any NSF two years prior to such an appointment and also not currently involved with any NSF. He/she should give an undertaking that in the event of his selection, he/she shall not take up any assignment as an office bearer for the next two years after demitting office as a Government Observer.
6. Government Observer should be willing to devote time to his duties as a GO and physically and medically fit. He should be willing to undertake extensive travel.
7. There should not be any penalty imposed or charge sheet pending against the applicant.
8. He/She should be within the age bracket of 40 to 70 years and should have finished active sporting career at least five years back.

Observers are to be appointed initially for High Priority/Priority Category disciplines where the country has excelled in the past and expecting medals in the forthcoming international tournaments, particularly Olympics, CWG, Asian Games etc.
(i) Each sports discipline may have a maximum of 2 GOs – 1 male and 1 female where a sports discipline has multiple disciplines (e.g. Athletics) more than 2 GOs may be considered

(ii) A person running an academy will not be disentitled because an Observer has no direct role in the selection of a national team. However, whenever there is an occasion of his/her candidate being selected, he will recuse himself from such proceedings.

**Terms & Conditions for appointment:**

(i) The tenure of Government Observers would be two years, extendable by another 2 years at a time. However, total tenure should not be more than 8 years.

(ii) The appointment may be cancelled by the Govt. any time without assigning any reason or without any notice.

**Honorarium:**

The Government Observers would be paid remuneration based on assignments carried out by them and visits made by them to National Coaching Camps and Selection Trial Events, etc. An amount of Rs. 2000/- per visit may be paid as honorarium. However, for any travel undertaken by them in connection with discharge of duties as Government Observer, they will be entitled to receive TA/DA at rates applicable to Director in Government of India with the Grade Pay of Rs. 8700/-. The expenditure incurred on this account by SAI will be debited to the National Coaching Camp head of the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs).

**Appraisal:**

Performance appraisal of the Observers would be done by the Standing Committee Chaired by Director General, SAI and a representative of MYAS of JS/Director level, ED (Teams) and ED, NSNIS, Patiala as Members. The Committee may co-opt experts/sportspersons from various disciplines as Members of the Standing Committee.

The Committee would scrutinize the quarterly reports sent by the GOs (Annexure-I) and also do the annual appraisal (Annexure-II). On the basis of these appraisals, the tenure of the GOs would be extended further.

The Committee would also review the guidelines on a half yearly basis and amend/revise the guidelines with the approval of the Hon'ble MOS (I/C), MYAS.
Misc.:

(i) The selection committee headed by Secretary (Sports) may recommend a foreigner as a Govt. Observer in very deserving cases with full justification in writing. His / her case will be treated like a foreign coach under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs.

(ii) Any deviation from these guidelines can be permitted only with the approval of the Hon'ble MOS (I/C), YA&S. If the deviation has financial implications, IFD of the department will be consulted.

This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS (I/C).

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Annexure – 1

PROFORMA FOR REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OBSERVER TO BE FILLED QUARTERLY

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2. Period of the national coaching camp from ............................. to ..........
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Signature

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Director General
SAI
PROFORMA FOR ANNUAL REPORT APPRAISAL OF GOVERNMENT OBSERVER

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Director General
SAI

Secretary (Sports)
MYAS
ORDER

Sub: Appointment of National Observers for various sports disciplines – reg.

Government is pleased to designate the following Olympians as National Observers for an initial period of two years from the date of the order.

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2. The role and responsibilities of the National Observers and terms and conditions of their engagement is annexed.

3. This Issues with the approval of the Minister of State (Independent Charge), Youth Affairs & Sports.

(A.K. Patro)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel: 23382560

To

All National Observers

Copy to

1. PS to MOS (IC) YAS
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports)
3. PS to JS (Sports)
4. Dir (Sports)
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2. To assess the existing sports infrastructure/equipment, quality of scientific back-up and medical facilities at the venues of the national coaching camps and report the critical gaps, if any, and suggest measures for optimal utilization and augmentation.

3. To observe, analyze, review and report on the performance of Indian and foreign coaches and the progress of performance of the campers.

4. To maintain data-base on the performance profile of individual athletes as well as coaches.

5. To assess the performance of the National teams in international tournaments and suggest training needs of athletes including foreign training & competition exposure with special focus on sub-junior and junior level athletes.

6. To examine complaints from players and other stakeholders by taking up the matter with the NSF concerned for redressal and send a report to MYAS.

7. To assist NSFs/National Sports Promotion Organizations (NSPOs)/SAI in preparation and finalization of ACTC.

8. To accompany the National team for international exposure as may be required.

9. To make suggestions, if any, or any other work, assigned by MYAS / SAI for the development of sports.

Terms and conditions:

The National Observers would be paid Rs. 5,000/- per day as honorarium. For any travel undertaken by observers in connection with discharge of duty as National Observer, TA / DA at rates applicable to Director level officer of Government of India will be paid.

Appraisal:

Performance appraisal of the Observers would be done by a Standing Committee Chaired by Director General, SAI and a representative of MYAS of JS/Director level, ED (Teams), ED, NSNIS, Patiala and one eminent sportsperson as Members. The Committee may co-opt experts/sportspersons from various disciplines as Members of the Standing Committee.
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Director General

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Secretary (Sports)
MYAS
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Department of Sports

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated 14th April, 2017

To
Executive Director (Teams)
Sports Authority of India,
JLN Stadium
New Delhi

SUB: ACTCs and funds release to SGFI and AIU-reg

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that since the National School Games and University Games will be held under Khelo India, it has been decided that funds will be released directly by this Department to SGFI and AIU based on approved ACTCs. Sports Authority of India is requested to examine & finalize the ACTC and send those to the Ministry for release of funds to these organizations.

This has the approval of Secretary (Sports).

Yours faithfully,

(A.K.Patro)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to:
1. President, SGFI
2. Secretary General, SGFI
F.No.8-16/2017-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 12th April, 2017

To
I. The President & The Secretary General/General Secretary/Hon. Secretary
   All recognized National Sports Federations

Subject: Maintaining National Ranking of athletes/teams-reg

Sir,

With a view to ensure transparency in selection of athletes, all National Sports Federation are advised to make it mandatory for all State/UT and other units to field their teams/players in the national championships and maintain national ranking.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

A.K. Parlo
Under Secretary to Government of India
Tel: 2338 2560
F.No.8-16/2017-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
(Department of Sports)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 12th April, 2017

To
1. The Secretary,
   Sports Authority of India
   JLN Stadium, New Delhi
2. The President & The Secretary General/General Secretary/Hon. Secretary
   All recognized National Sports Federations

Subject: Procurement of food supplements for athletes-reg

Sir,

With a view to have dope-free sports in India, it is essential that athletes are supplied with substances which are safe and does not fall under the list of prohibited items as provided by World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) and National Anti Doping Agency (NADA). It is also essentials that all National Sports Federation and Sports Authority of India may join hands in updating all athletes about the prohibited substance updated from time to time by WADA & NADA. Hence all National Sports Federations (NSFs) and Sports Authority of India (SAI) are advised to procure food supplements for sportspersons keeping in view the standards prescribed by WADA and NADA.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
A.K. Parto
Under Secretary to Government of India
Tel: 2338 2560

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Director(NIC)- with a request to upload on the website.