# No. 70-26/2024-SP-III Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports **Department of Sports**

Hall No. 103, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. Dated: 30th January, 2025

To

President, Indian Olympic Association, B-29, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110016.

Participation of the Indian Contingent in 9th Asian Winter Games 2025 to be held at Harbin, China from 7th to 14th February, 2025 - clearance thereof - reg.

Madam,

I am directed to refer to Indian Olympic Association's letter No. IOA/Sec-III/26/9th AWG/2009 dated 18.12.2024 submitting proposal on the subject mentioned above and to say that the Government of India has decided to provide financial support for the first time to the Indian contingent participation in the 9th Asian Winter Games 2025 to be held at Harbin, China from 7th to 14th February, 2025 under ANSF Scheme in order to encourage the development of Winter sports.

2. The Name-wise list of Indian sportspersons participating in Asian Winter Games 2025 along with the status of participation at cost to the Government / at No cost to Government is at **Annexure-I**. Number of players approved discipline-wise is given below:

S. No.	Sport	Sports Discipline	Athletes		Total
	•		Male Female		
1	Skiing	Alpine Skiing	4	3	7
2		Cross-Country Skiing	5	1	6
3	Ice Skating	Figure Skating	1	1	2
4		Short Track Speed Skating	6	6	12
5		Speed Skating (Long-Track)	7	2	9
6	Ice Hockey	Ice Hockey*	23	0	23
		Total	46	13	59

3. The Name-wise list of coaches, support staff and other officials along with the status of their participation 'at cost to the Government / No cost to Government' is at **Annexure-II**. Number of support personnel approved discipline-wise is given below:

S. No.	Sports Discipline	Number of support personnel
1	Alpine Skiing	4
2	Cross-Country Skiing	4
3	Figure Skating	
4	Short Track Speed Skating	11
5	Speed Skating (Long-Track)	
6	Ice Hockey*	7
7	Chef De Mission**	1
8	Deputy Chef De Mission	1
9	Doctor	1
	Tota	1:29

<sup>\*</sup> Cleared at No cost to the Government

Further, IOA will ensure that any other person, if he/she is holding elected position in EC of IOA, any NSF or any sports body, whose name has been included in the list of team officials, will be treated at no cost to the Government.

- 4. As regards Ice Hockey Team (Men), the Ministry received 2 separate list of players of Ice Hockey discipline from different bodies, neither of which is recognized with this Ministry. To ensure the best team comprising most suitable and fit players represent the country in the Asian Winter Games in public interest, Sports Authority of India conducted selection trials and provided a list of 23 players to IOA. However, no effort was made to update the Team pursuant to the trials and the final list sent by IOA contained the names of players selected by only one single faction. While the team finalized by IOA may participate in the event, government funding will not be provided, as sports governing bodies do not have an automatic right to financial assistance under the 'Assistance to National Sports Federations (ANSF) Scheme,' which is given only in duly justified situations.
- 5. Expenditure on participation of Indian contingent in Asian Winter Games 2025 approved at cost to Government will be borne by SAI from the funds made available to it under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, as per the norms given in **Annexure-III**.
- 6. The IOA, SAI, National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) and concerned sports bodies may take appropriate measures for conducting the dope tests. IOA may also ensure fitness of the team / individual sportsperson prior to their departure.
- 7. Section 6 of Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010 provides, inter alia, that no member of a Legislature, Office bearer of a political party, judge, Government servant or

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<sup>\*\*</sup>at no cost to the Government because he is an office bearer of Ice Hockey Association of India.

employee of any corporation shall accept any foreign hospitality without the prior permission of the Central Government. In case, any team member is covered under the above Act, he/she should obtain the prior permission from Ministry of Home Affairs before his / her departure to China.

- 8. For Foreign Exchange, IOA may contact any authorized dealing in Foreign Exchange as per enforced rules and regulations.
- 9. Such of the team-members who might be Central Government servants are to be treated as on duty (which include deputation abroad) in respect of this participation by the Department / Office in which they are employed in terms of Department of Personnel and Training O.M. No. 6/1/85-Estt. (Pay-I) dated 16.07.1985. The IOA should inform their Department / Office accordingly.
- 10. It is requested the Embassy of India in China and organizers of the event may please be informed of the travel plans and itinerary of the contingent.
- 11. In view of the disappearance of some official / sportspersons in the foreign countries in the past, the Ministry is of the view that the backgrounds / antecedents of the members / officials may be checked properly.
- 12. A detailed report on the visit of the team along with its performance / achievements and action photographs, CDs etc. may please be submitted to the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, within 30 days of return of team to India.

Yours faithfully,
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(Tarun Pareek)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

#### Encl. As above

#### Copy to:

- 1. Director General, Sports Authority of India
- 2. Director General, National Anti-Doping Agency
- 3. ED (TEAMS), Sports Authority of India
- 4. Ministry of External Affairs, East Asia Division
- 5. Embassy of India at Beijing (China)
- 6. Director (Media), Press Information Bureau
- 7. Sanction Folder

**Copy also to**: Technical Director, NIC with request to upload on website of the Department of Sports.

 $\underline{Annexure-I}$  List of athletes for 9th Asian Winter Games, 2025, Harbin, China

S. No.	S. No.	Sport Discipline	Name	Gender	Remarks
1.	1	-	Arif Mohd. Khan	M	Cost to the Govt.
2.	2		Mayank Panwar	M	Cost to the Govt.
3.	3	(40)	Baqir Hussain	M	Cost to the Govt.
4.	4	Alpine Skiing	Sunil Kumar	M	Cost to the Govt.
5.	5		Sandhya	F	Cost to the Govt.
6.	6		Aanchal Thakur	F	Cost to the Govt.
7.	7		Tanuja Thakur	F	Cost to the Govt.
8.	1		Shubam Parihar	M	Cost to the Govt.
9.	2		Manjeet	M	Cost to the Govt.
10.	3	Cross-	Padma Namgail	M	Cost to the Govt.
11.	4	Country	Rameez Ahmad Padder	M	Cost to the Govt.
12.	5	Skiing	Aman Kumar	M	Cost to the Govt.
13.	6		Bhavani Thekkada Nanjunda	F	Cost to the Govt.
14.	1	Figure	Manjesh Tiwari	M	Cost to the Govt.
15.	2	Skating	Tara Prasad	F	Cost to the Govt.
16.	1		Prajwal Sharath	M	Cost to the Govt.
17.	2		Akash Aradhya	M	Cost to the Govt.
18.	3	1	Eklavya Jagal	M	Cost to the Govt.
19.	4		Sohan Sudhir Tarkar	M	Cost to the Govt.
20.	5		Noyal Charli Chevrian	M	Cost to the Govt.
21.	6		Suyog Sanjay Tapkar	M	Cost to the Govt.
22.	7	Short Track Speed Skating	Dashiel Amanda Concessao	F	Cost to the Govt.
23.	8		Sai Sahana Sarvana	F	Cost to the Govt.
24.	9		Raina	F	Cost to the Govt.
25.	10		Varsha Sriramakrishna Puranik	F	Cost to the Govt.
26.	11		Swarali Ashutosh Deo	F	Cost to the Govt.
27.	12		Suvarnika Radhakrishnan	F	Cost to the Govt.
28.	1		Amitesh Mishra	M	Cost to the Govt.
29.	2		Anubhav Gupta	M	Cost to the Govt.
30.	3	0 101 "	Chandra Mouli Danda	M	Cost to the Govt.
31.	4	Speed Skating (Long Track)	Vishwaraj Rajendrasinh Jadega	М	Cost to the Govt.
32.	5		Srivatsa Srikantha Rao	M	Cost to the Govt.
33.	6	1	Omkara Yogaraj	M	Cost to the Govt.

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34.	7		Daniel Salvadore Concessao	М	Cost to the Govt.
35.	8		Shruti Nitin Kotwal	F	Cost to the Govt.
36.	9		Diya Harsha Rao	F	Cost to the Govt.
37.	1		Nawang Zangpo	M	No Cost to the Govt.
38.	2		Dorjay Angchok	M	No Cost to the Govt.
39.	3		Tsering Angchuk	M	No Cost to the Govt.
40.	4		Tsering Angdus	M	No Cost to the Govt.
41.	5		Stanzin Angchok	M	No Cost to the Govt.
42.	6		Stanzin Lotus	M	No Cost to the Govt.
43.	7		Stanzin Phande	M	No Cost to the Govt.
44.	8		Tsewang Dorjay	M	No Cost to the Govt.
45.	9		Rigzin Norboo	M	No Cost to the Govt.
46.	10		Deskyong Namgyal	M	No Cost to the Govt.
47.	11	Ice Hockey	Mohd Ismail	M	No Cost to the Govt.
48.	12	Team (Men)	Deldan Namgyal	M	No Cost to the Govt.
49.	13		Tundup Namgail	M	No Cost to the Govt.
50.	14		Lakdan Angchok	M	No Cost to the Govt.
51.	15		Mohammad Ali Baba	M	No Cost to the Govt.
52.	16		Sajjad Hussain	M	No Cost to the Govt.
53.	17		Stanzin Namgyal	M	No Cost to the Govt.
54.	18		Jigmath Kunzang	M	No Cost to the Govt.
55.	19		Ghulam Mustafa	M	No Cost to the Govt.
56.	20		Tsewang Gyaltson Gyal	M	No Cost to the Govt.
57.	21		Chamba Tsetan	M	No Cost to the Govt.
58.	22		Chamba Lotus	M	No Cost to the Govt.
59.	23		Tashi Namgail	M	No Cost to the Govt.

## <u>Annexure – II</u>

## List of Coaches /Team officials

Remarks	Sports Discipline	Name	S. No.	S. No.
Cost to the Govt.	Cross country Team Manager	Rajeev Dhingra	1.	1.
Cost to the Govt.	Cross country Women's coach	Ganga Ram	2.	2.
Cost to the Govt.	Cross Country Team Official	Rakesh Ranjan	3.	3.
Cost to the Govt.	Cross country men's Coach	Nadeem Iqbal	4.	4.
Cost to the Govt.	Alpine Sking Team Official	Bruce Christopher C. Fernandez	1.	5.
Cost to the Govt.	Alpine ski Team Manager	Nanak Chand Thakur	2.	6.
Cost to the Govt.	Alpine men's coach	Tara Chand	3.	7.
Cost to the Govt.	Alpine female coach	Ms. Sabiya Nab	4.	8.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Dong Ryong Kim	1.	9.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Kukkikatte Srikantha Rao	2.	10.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Mohd Abbass	3.	11.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Rahul Shrawan Pandirkar	4.	12.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Richard Thomas Laidlaw	5.	13.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Natalie Rose Falsgraf	6.	14.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Stephanie Ordaz Kuban	7.	15.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Subodh Balavant Patil	8.	16.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Wilhelmus Johannes Jozef Nieuwenhuizen	9.	17.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Pradeep Singh	10.	18.
Cost to the Govt.	Team Official Ice Skating	Roshan Lal	11.	19.
No Cost to the Gov	Team Official Ice Hockey	Darrin Harrold	1.	20.
No Cost to the Gov	Team Official Ice Hockey	Abdul Hakim	2.	21.
No Cost to the Gov	Team Official Ice Hockey	Bharat Singh	3.	22.

S. No.	S. No.	Name	Sports Discipline	Remarks
23.	4.	Amit Belwal	Team Official Ice Hockey	No Cost to the Govt.
24.	5.	Shantanu Mahajan	Team Official Ice Hockey	No Cost to the Govt.
25.	6.	Sarthak Patnaik	Team Official Ice Hockey	No Cost to the Govt.
26.	7.	Noor Jahan	Team Official Ice Hockey	No Cost to the Govt.
27.	1.	Harjinder Singh	Chef de Mission	No Cost to the Govt.
28.	2.	Ludar Thakur	Team Leader and Deputy CDM	Cost to the Govt.
29.	3.	Dr. Karanjeet Singh	Doctor	Cost to the Govt.



#### Annexure-III

S.	Item	Cost per person	Remarks
No.			
1	Accommodation	@ USD 50 per person	As per the rate fixed by Organizing
		per day	Committee.
2	Airfare	As per actuals by	Tickets may be booked from the
		economy class	authorized Travel agents mentioned in
			the Ministry's circular dated 28.02.2022
3	Extra baggage	As per actuals	As per actual will be admissible subject
			to production of bills / invoices.
4	Out of pocket	@ USD 50 per person	OPA@USD 50 per person per day in
	allowance	per day	terms of the circular dated 28.02.2022
5	Winter	Rs.1,20,000/- per person	Indian Olympic Association (10A) or
	ceremonial dress	3	any sports organization entrusted by
	and playing kit		IOA for procurement will be required to
			follow the relevant government
			guidelines for procurement of goods.
		20	Further, reimbursement will be subject
			to production of bills / invoices.
6	Overseas	@ Rs. 5000 per person	This will be as per actuals, subject to the
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