OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Circulation of Monthly Summary relating to principal activities and developments in the Department of Sports to the Members of the Council of Ministers.

The undersigned is directed to refer Cabinet Secretariat's OM No. 1/26/1/2018-Cab. dated 17th August, 2018 on above mentioned subject and to enclose (Annexure) the monthly summary pertaining to the Department of Sports for the month of April, 2020 is hereby circulated for information.

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Encl : As above.

To

All Members of Council of Ministers

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(i) All Secretaries to the Govt. of India's Ministries/Departments
(ii) Director, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi
(iii) PSs to Secretary (Sports) / JS (SP) / JS (Dev.)
(iv) Technical Director (NIC) for uploading on the MYAS website (in the section of Department of Sports.)

This is regarding the important issues and developments in respect of the Department of Sports during April, 2020.

2. Department of Sports adopted a proactive prevention strategy to protect trainees of Sports Authority of India (SAI) from exposure of novel corona virus (Covid-2019). Accordingly, the following directions as preventive measures were implemented without exception:

(i) All the trainees including Academic training being imparted in National Centres of Excellence (NCOE) and SAI Training Centres were suspended w.e.f. 18.03.2020.
(ii) All Trainees were sent back home under intimation to parents following the travel precautions.
(iii) Coaches and Athletes Online Coach Education Programme conducted by SAI from 16th April to 27th May, 2020 for 27 disciplines with Foreign Experts guide to the athletes.
(iv) Online Orientation Programme for Staff of SAI including the newly recruited Assistant Directors was conducted during the month.
(v) All the guidelines issued by various ministries in terms of Reduction in staff strength, Work from Home, Social Distancing Norms, etc. were implemented.
(vi) In two centres i.e. Patiala and Bengaluru, the Olympic probable could not vacate the premises due to lock down imposed. Therefore, strict SOP was imposed for the safety of the athletes.

3. Under Fit India Movement, the following initiatives have been taken:

(iii) First phase of Fit India Family Sessions on FITNESS with Experts was concluded on 14.04.2020. Average viewership was 24000/Session. This session is organized with objective of pushing FITNESS routine amongst families with simple & easy capsules; and
(iv) Fit India Active Day in collaboration with SBSE/ ICSE boards Daily sessions launched on 15th April, 2020, which got average viewership of 1 lakh per session per day.

4. The performance of Indian athletes in various sports events was “Nil” during the period as no sports events either international or domestic were organized as a precautionary measure against COVID-19 Pandemic in the world.

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