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

Hall No. 103, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,  
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Date: 19.02.2026

To

President/Secretary General  
Amateur Baseball Federation of India  
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Sub: Restoration of Government Recognition of Amateur Baseball Federation of India as the National Sports Federation – reg

Sir,

The Amateur Baseball Federation of India (ABFI) was recognised by this Ministry as a National Sports Federation (NSF) for promotion and development of sport of baseball in the country. The recognition was last renewed vide Ministry's letter No. 78-5/2015-SP-III dated 26.07.2022, till 31.12.2022.

2. Considering upon the request of ABFI dated 05.01.2026 for acceptance of results of its election held on 30.12.2025 as also for grant of annual recognition, and taking into account the status of Baseball (Men) as a medal event in the Asian Games 2026 as well as its inclusion in the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games, it has been decided to restore Government recognition of ABFI as NSF. This recognition is effective from the date of issue of this letter for the promotion and development of Baseball (Men) in the country. The Federation has conducted the election on 30.12.2025 and represented by the following office bearers:

S.No	Name	Post	Age
1.	Shri Pankaj Lochan Mohanty	President	64 years
2.	Shri Arvind Kumar	Secretary General	65 years
3.	Shri S. Venkatesh	Treasurer	61 years

2. The recognition of Government to ABFI is 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 applicable laws / rules & regulations / guidelines.

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b) The Federation shall give at least two months' advance notice to the Government for any change in its Constitution. The copy of 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 books of accounts shall always be open to Inspection by authorized representatives of the 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 Government within six months from the date of expiry of the accounting year.

e) The Federation must scrupulously abide by the guidelines / instructions issued by the Government 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 conformity with the applicable laws / rules & regulations / guidelines.

g) The Federation should also abide by the directions of the Government issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of Baseball sports among its players or Public in general.

h) The recognition can be reviewed by the Government, in case Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the Federation or its practices come into conflict with the Government Guidelines issued from time to time.

i) The Ministry's Guidelines for selection procedure shall be followed by ABFI. The tournaments shall be held for Men at all levels in 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 relating to age fraud, prevention of sexual harassment of women in sports, formation of Internal Complaint Committee in accordance with the provisions of the POSH Act, 2013, Anti-doping, issuance of identity cards to sportspersons etc.

3. The recognition of ABFI 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 Government are not complied with as required;

d) in the opinion of the Union Government, the Federation is not functioning properly,

e) the recognition has been obtained by submitting false information or by misrepresentation of facts;

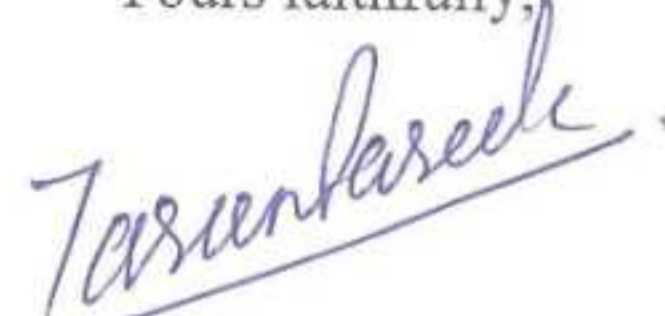
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f) the concerned international Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the Federation.

4. A copy of letter No. 12-12/2025-Gov.-1 (Part) dated 28 January 2026, issued by this Ministry to all recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs), is enclosed herewith for reference and strict compliance.

This issues with the approval of the Hon'ble Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports.

Yours faithfully,



(Tarun Pareek)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India
2. Director, Passenger Marketing, Traffic Commercial, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi
3. Director/Deputy Secretary, Department of Sports
4. All Under Secretaries in the Department of Sports
5. Technical Director, NIC with the request to upload the letter on the website of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
6. CEO (TOPS), ED (TEAMS), Head (TAGG), SAI

Copy for information to:

1. PPS to Secretary (Sports)
2. PS to JS (Sports)

**No. 12-12/2025- Gov.-1 (Part)**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
Department of Sports

Hall No. 103, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi- 111003  
Dated: 28 January, 2026

To

The President / Secretary General  
All recognised National Sports Federations.

**Subject: National Sports Governance Act, 2025 and Rules made thereunder- reg.**

Sir/Madam,

It is informed that the National Sports Governance Act, 2025, enacted by Parliament and having received the assent of the President on 18.08.2025, has entered the phase of implementation and operationalisation.

2. In this regard, the Central Government has notified the following in exercise of powers conferred under the Act:

- (i) Notification dated 31.12.2025 bringing select provisions of the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 into force with effect from 01.01.2026.
- (ii) National Sports Board (Search-cum-Selection Committee) Rules, 2026 – notified on 08.01.2026.
- (iii) National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2026 – notified on 12.01.2026.

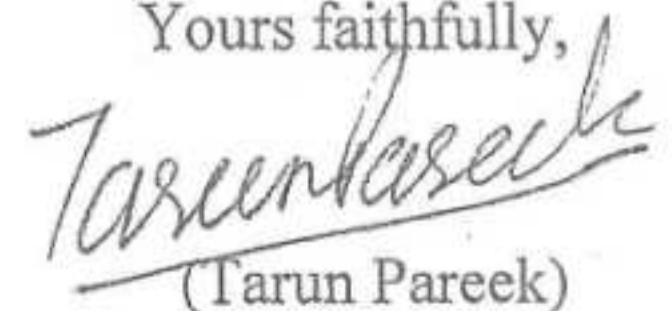
Copies of the Act, the Notification and the Rules are available on the website of the Ministry and are also enclosed for reference.

3. The Act and the Rules made thereunder lay down a statutory framework relating to governance standards, recognition, compliance requirements, ethical conduct, and institutional accountability within the sports ecosystem.

4. All recognised National Sports Federations are required to adhere to the notified provisions of the National Sports Governance Act, 2025, as well as the associated Rules. NSFs must take all necessary steps to align their constitutions or bye-laws, institutional processes, and operations with this statutory framework within the stipulated timelines. Uniform and consistent compliance is essential to ensure an orderly and efficient transition to the governance structure established by the Act.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Tarun Pareek)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Encls: As above

**Copy to:**

1. President, Indian Olympic Association
2. Director General, Sports Authority of India
3. Director (Gov-1) / Director (Gov-2)



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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 18th August, 2025/Shravana 27, 1947 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 18th August, 2025 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE NATIONAL SPORTS GOVERNANCE ACT, 2025 No. 25 OF 2025

[18th August, 2025.]

An Act to provide for the development and promotion of sports, welfare measures for sportspersons, ethical practices based on basic universal principles of good governance, ethics and fair play of the Olympic and sports movement, the Olympic Charter, the Paralympic Charter, international best practices and established legal standards and to provide for the resolution of sports grievances and sports disputes in a unified, equitable and effective manner and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

WHEREAS the Olympic Charter and the Paralympic Charter emphasise impeccable ethical behaviour in sports governance, necessitating the national sports governing bodies to align with such global governance standards;

AND WHEREAS the national sports governing bodies discharge important public functions in the country and it is pertinent for these bodies to manage their internal and external affairs in an open, fair and transparent manner in the public interest;

AND WHEREAS the Government of India respects the principle of autonomy of the sports governing bodies in the country in line with the fundamental principles enshrined in the Olympic Charter and the Paralympic Charter;

AND WHEREAS the Government of India recognises the importance of providing accessible, fair and effective measures for the resolution of grievances and disputes relating to sports;

AND WHEREAS it is considered necessary to give effect to the aforesaid objectives.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

## CHAPTER I

### PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the National Sports Governance Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint, and different dates may be appointed for different provisions of this Act, and any reference in any such provision to the commencement of this Act shall be construed as a reference to the coming into force of that provision.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “*ad hoc* administrative body” means a body constituted for *ad hoc* administration under section 11;

(b) “affiliate unit” means the State, district or other units of,—

(i) the National Olympic Committee;

(ii) the National Paralympic Committee;

(iii) the National Sports Federation; and

(iv) the Regional Sports Federation;

(c) “Athletes Committee”, “Disputes Resolution Committee”, “Ethics Committee” and “Executive Committee”, by whatever name called, means the “Athletes Committee”, “Disputes Resolution Committee”, “Ethics Committee” and “Executive Committee”, respectively, of a National Sports Body;

(d) “Board” means the National Sports Board established under sub-section (1) of section 5;

(e) “Board recognition” means recognition of a sports organisation by the Board under this Act;

(f) “bye-laws” means the memorandum of association or articles of association, by whatever name called, of a sports organisation;

(g) “designated sport” means any sport discipline as may be specified by the Central Government, by notification, to be a designated sport for a specific region or State or for the whole of India;

(h) “International Charters and Statutes” means the Olympic Charter and other Charters and Statutes of the international sports governing bodies and include any bye-laws, rules, regulations or constitution, by whatever name called, as may be adopted, amended or issued by such bodies from time to time;

(i) “International Federation” means—

(A) a federation recognised as such by the International Olympic Committee in respect of an Olympic sport; or

(B) a federation recognised as such by the International Paralympic Committee in respect of a Paralympic sport; or

(C) a federation which regulates the sport at international level in respect of non-Olympic or non-Paralympic sports;

(j) "International Olympic Committee" means the governing body for the Olympic Games;

(k) "International Paralympic Committee" means the governing body for the Paralympic Games;

(l) "international recognition" means the recognition of a national sports governing body by the concerned international sports governing body;

(m) "International Sports Body" means an international sports governing body such as the International Olympic Committee or the International Paralympic Committee or International Federation or a continental governing body for sports;

(n) "National Olympic Committee" means the National Olympic Committee established under section 3 as a national sports governing body and recognised as the National Olympic Committee of India by the International Olympic Committee;

(o) "National Paralympic Committee" means the National Paralympic Committee established under section 3 as a national sports governing body and recognised as the National Paralympic Committee of India by the International Paralympic Committee;

(p) "National Sports Body" means a national sports governing body such as the National Olympic Committee or the National Paralympic Committee or the National Sports Federation or the Regional Sports Federation, established under section 3;

(q) "National Sports Election Panel" means the National Sports Election Panel notified under section 16 to oversee the conduct of free and fair elections to the Executive Committee and the Athletes Committee of the National Sports Bodies;

(r) "National Sports Federation" means a National Sports Federation established under section 3 as a national sports governing body for a designated sport;

(s) "National Sports Promotion Organisation" means a sports organisation or body contributing towards the development of sports, such as talent identification and their nurturing, policy advocacy relating to sports administration or welfare and recognised by the Board under sub-section (7) of section 8;

(t) "notification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette and the expression "notify" or "notified", shall be construed accordingly;

(u) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made by the Central Government under this Act;

(v) "recognised sports organisation" means a sports organisation recognised by the Board as a National Sports Body under sub-section (1) of section 8;

(w) "Regional Sports Federation" means a Regional Sports Federation established under section 3 as national sports governing body for a designated sport;

(x) "regulations" means regulations made by the Board under this Act;

(y) "Secretary General" means the Secretary General or the Secretary of a National Sports Body;

(z) "sportsperson of outstanding merit" means a sportsperson referred to in the proviso to clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 4;

(za) "State" means a State specified in the First Schedule to the Constitution and includes a Union territory;

(zb) "Tribunal" means the National Sports Tribunal constituted under sub-section (1) of section 17.

## CHAPTER II

### NATIONAL SPORTS BODIES

3. (1) The following bodies shall be established as the national sports governing bodies for their respective recognised sports organisations, namely:—

(a) the National Olympic Committee;

(b) the National Paralympic Committee;

(c) a National Sports Federation for each designated sport; and

(d) a Regional Sports Federation for each designated sport.

(2) There shall be only one National Olympic Committee and one National Paralympic Committee, each governing multi-sport disciplines.

(3) The National Olympic Committee shall have an international recognition and affiliation of the International Olympic Committee.

(4) The National Paralympic Committee shall have an international recognition and affiliation of the International Paralympic Committee.

(5) Every National Sports Federation shall have an international recognition and affiliation of the concerned international sports governing body:

Provided that this sub-section shall not apply to a designated sport which does not have an international sports governing body.

(6) Every Regional Sports Federation shall have the relevant affiliations as may be prescribed.

4. (1) Every National Sports Body shall have,—

(a) a General Body, consisting of equal number of representatives from each of its affiliate units and such other *ex officio* members as per its bye-laws and the International Charters and Statutes, as applicable:

Provided that it shall have representation of such sportspersons of outstanding merit and such other categories of persons, as may be prescribed;

(b) an Executive Committee which shall consist of not more than fifteen members, of whom—

(i) at least two shall be sportspersons of outstanding merit;

(ii) two shall be from the Athletes Committee to be elected from amongst themselves; and

(iii) such number of *ex officio* and other members shall be nominated or elected, as the case may be, as per the International Charters and Statutes and the bye-laws:

Provided that at least four members shall be women:

Provided further that the voting rights of elected representatives of the Athletes Committee in the Executive Committee shall be as determined by the bye-laws:

Establishment of national sports governing bodies.

Compliance with certain requirements by National Sports Bodies.

(c) an Ethics Committee to be constituted as per its bye-laws and the International Charters and Statutes, as applicable:

Provided that the Ethics Committee of the National Olympic Committee shall function as the Ethics Committee of any National Sports Body which does not have such Committee;

(d) a Dispute Resolution Committee to be constituted as per its bye-laws and the International Charters and Statutes, as applicable:

Provided that the Dispute Resolution Committee of the National Olympic Committee shall function as the Dispute Resolution Committee of any National Sports Body which does not have such Committee;

(e) an Athletes Committee consisting of elected members as determined by the bye-laws;

(f) a President who shall be the head of the concerned National Sports Body and shall preside over the meetings of its Executive Committee and the General Body;

(g) a Secretary General who shall be the head of administration responsible for carrying out all decisions of the Executive Committee and the General Body:

Provided that where the International Charters and Statutes provide for a full-time head of administration, by whatever name called, there shall not be an elected post of the head of administration;

(h) a Treasurer who shall be the custodian of funds or the accounts of the concerned National Sports Body.

(2) A person shall not be qualified to contest for election or seek nomination to, the Executive Committee, unless—

(a) such person is a citizen of India who has attained at least twenty-five years of age;

(b) the nomination of such person is duly proposed and seconded by a voting member of the General Body;

(c) such person is not declared to be of unsound mind;

(d) such person complies with the International Charters and Statutes and bye-laws relating to age and term of the Executive Committee:

Provided that such person shall not be more than seventy years of age on the last date of nomination for election:

Provided further that any person, aged between seventy and seventy-five years, may contest elections or seek nominations, if permitted by the International Charters and Statutes and the bye-laws and in case such person is elected, he shall serve for a full term;

(e) such person, if he is a government servant, has necessary approvals from the Government, as applicable:

Provided that a person shall not be qualified to contest for election or seek nomination to, the posts of the President or the Secretary General or the Treasurer, unless such person is a sportsperson of outstanding merit or, has previously served as a member for at least one full term in the Executive Committee of the National Sports Body or as the President, or the Secretary General or the Treasurer in its affiliate unit:

Provided further that a person may continuously hold the position of either the President or the Secretary General or the Treasurer, as the case may be, for up to three consecutive terms separately, or in combination thereof and shall be eligible for election to such posts or to the Executive Committee after a mandatory cooling off period of one term.

(3) The term of the Executive Committee shall be as provided in the bye-laws subject to a maximum period of four years.

(4) The mode of election to different bodies, committees and offices including their term, eligibility criteria and disqualification of members thereof, and other matters of governance shall be such as may be prescribed.

### CHAPTER III

#### THE NATIONAL SPORTS BOARD

Establishment of  
National Sports  
Board.

5. (1) The Central Government may, by notification, establish a Board to be known as the National Sports Board, consisting of a Chairperson and such number of other Members as may be prescribed.

(2) The Chairperson and the Members referred to in sub-section (1) shall be appointed by the Central Government from amongst persons of ability, integrity and standing who possesses special knowledge or practical experience in the field of public administration, sports governance, sports law and other related fields, on the recommendation of a search-cum-selection committee comprising of such number of persons, having wide experience in public administration, sports administration and recipients of national sports awards, as may be prescribed.

(3) The salary and allowances and the term of office of the Chairperson and other Members of the Board and other terms and conditions of their service, including removal from service, shall be such as may be prescribed.

(4) The Board shall be a body corporate by the name aforesaid, having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power subject to the provisions of this Act, to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall, by the said name, sue or be sued.

(5) The head office of the Board shall be at Delhi and the Board shall establish its branch offices at such other places as may be prescribed.

Powers and  
functions of  
Board.

6. The Board shall exercise and perform the following powers and functions to carry out the provisions of this Act, namely:—

(a) the grant of Board recognition to sports organisations and registration of affiliate units and to suspend or cancel such recognition or registration;

(b) to maintain a register of the National Sports Bodies and each of their respective affiliate units in such manner as may be specified by regulations;

(c) to conduct inquiries on matters specified in section 9;

(d) to constitute an *ad hoc* administrative body or to direct the concerned National Sports Body or their affiliate units, as the case may be, to so constitute, as per section 11;

(e) to issue guidelines for formulation of the Code of Ethics by the National Sports Bodies;

(f) to frame Safe Sports Policy for the protection and safety of women, minor athletes and other classes of persons;

(g) maintain a roster of the National Sports Election Panel as per section 16;

(h) collaborate with the International Sports Bodies and National Sports Bodies for the development of sports and welfare of athletes in India and to issue guidelines to the National Sports Bodies for ensuring compliance with the international standards and best practices of the Olympic and sports movement;

(i) take such measures as may be prescribed, to ensure the protection of the rights and welfare of athletes and support personnel; and

(j) such other powers and functions as may be prescribed.

7. (1) The Central Government shall, in consultation with the Board, appoint such officers and other employees as may be necessary for discharging the functions of the Board.

Staff of Board.

(2) The officers and other employees of the Board shall discharge their functions under the general superintendence and control of the Chairperson or any other member of the Board to whom powers for exercising such superintendence and control are delegated by the Chairperson.

(3) The qualifications, appointment, salary and allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the officers and other employees of the Board shall be such as may be prescribed.

#### CHAPTER IV

##### THE GOVERNANCE OF RECOGNISED SPORTS ORGANISATIONS

8. (1) The Board shall have the power to grant Board recognition to any sports organisation as a National Sports Body.

Board recognition and registration.

(2) Any sports organisation desirous of obtaining Board recognition as a National Sports Body under this section shall apply to the Board in such form and manner and containing such particulars, as may be specified by regulations.

(3) No sports organisation shall be recognised under sub-section (1) unless such organisation,—

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(a) is a society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 or under the Societies Registration Act of a State; or

18 of 2013.

(b) is a not-for-profit company incorporated under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013; or

2 of 1882.

(c) is a trust created under the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 or under the Trusts Act of a State; and

(d) complies with such other criteria and conditions as may be specified by regulations and having the sole object of the development of sports.

(4) The Board recognition granted under this section shall be renewed periodically at such intervals and in accordance with such procedure as may be specified by regulations.

(5) All sports organisations recognised as National Sports Bodies by the Central Government before the commencement of this Act, shall be deemed to have Board recognition under this Act and the provisions of this Act shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to such organisation.

(6) All affiliate units of National Sports Bodies shall ensure that they are registered with the Board, subject to such conditions and in such manner, as may be prescribed.

(7) The Board, subject to the prior approval of the Central Government, shall also have the power to recognise sports organisations participating in sports governance, athlete support and welfare, as National Sports Promotion Organisation.

(8) The eligibility criteria for Board recognition and the manner of governance and functioning of the National Sports Promotion Organisations shall be such as may be specified by regulations:

Provided that a National Sports Promotion Organisation recognised by the Central Government before the commencement of this Act, shall be deemed to have been recognised as such under this Act and the provisions of this Act shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to such organisation:

Provided further that the Board recognition granted under this sub-section shall be renewed periodically at such intervals and in accordance with such procedure as may be specified by regulations.

Power of Board to conduct inquiry.

9. The Board may, either on its own motion, or in response to complaint received from any person or body on matters affecting the welfare of sportspersons or the development of sports in the country or misuse of public funds, conduct an inquiry where it is satisfied that there is a reasonable cause so to do:

Provided that no such complaint shall be entertained unless the complainant has exhausted all available remedies with the National Sports Body or its affiliate units:

Provided further that the Board may entertain such complaint if it is satisfied that accessing those remedies would result in unnecessary delay or unreasonable prejudice.

Power of Board to suspend or cancel Board recognition or registration.

10. (1) The Board may, either on its own motion, or on the receipt of a complaint by an aggrieved party, by order, suspend or cancel the Board recognition of a sports organisation as a National Sports Body or registration of an affiliate unit of a National Sports Body, in any of the following circumstances, namely:—

(a) the international recognition of the concerned National Sports Body has been suspended or cancelled by the concerned International Sports Body;

(b) the concerned affiliate unit has been suspended or disaffiliated by the concerned National Sports Body;

(c) the National Sports Body has violated any of the provisions of this Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder, including eligibility criteria or terms and conditions of the Board recognition;

(d) the Registrar of Companies or the Registrar of Societies of the concerned sports organisation has reported gross irregularities in the internal functioning or removed the name of the National Sports Body or its affiliate units;

(e) the National Sports Body or the affiliate unit has—

(i) failed to hold elections for its Executive Committee or has committed gross irregularities in the election procedures thereof; or

(ii) failed to publish its annual audited accounts; or

(iii) has misused, misapplied or misappropriated any public funds:

Provided that the suspension or disaffiliation referred to in clause (a) and clause (b) shall be co-terminus with the suspension or disaffiliation by the concerned International Sports Body or the National Sports Body, as the case may be, which may be extended by the Board, for reasons to be recorded in writing, for such further period as the Board may consider necessary.

(2) Before issuing an order of suspension or cancellation of Board recognition or registration under sub-section (1), the Board shall consult the concerned—

(a) International Sports Body, where such suspension or cancellation of Board recognition concerns the National Sports Federation or the Regional Sports Federation:

(b) National Sports Federation or the Regional Sports Federation, where such suspension or cancellation of registration concerns any affiliate unit,

and upon such consultation, take any of the following measures, namely:—

(i) issue an order, directing the National Sports Body or its affiliate unit, to take such action as is appropriate to correct the deficiency and upon compliance, the Board may make a finding of compliance; or

(ii) conduct a hearing by giving reasonable opportunity to the parties to present their case before pronouncing its decision.

(3) An appeal against any order of the Board for suspension or cancellation of Board recognition or registration under this section shall lie with the Tribunal.

11. (1) In the event of loss of the international recognition of a National Sports Body, the normalisation process shall be implemented as per the International Charters and Statutes and the Board shall not interfere in such process.

*Ad hoc*  
administrative  
body.

(2) In the absence of the normalisation process referred to in sub-section (1) on the loss of international recognition of a National Sports Body, or in the event of cancellation or suspension of Board recognition of a National Sports Body under section 10, where the loss of recognition concern—

(a) a National Olympic Committee or a National Paralympic Committee, the Board may constitute an *ad hoc* administrative body in consultation with the International Olympic Committee or the International Paralympic Committee, as the case may be;

(b) a National Sports Federation, the Board may, in consultation with the concerned International Federation, wherever applicable, direct the National Olympic Committee to constitute an *ad hoc* administrative body;

(c) a Regional Sports Federation, the Board may in consultation with the concerned International Federation, if any, constitute an *ad hoc* administrative body.

(3) In the event of cancellation or suspension of Board recognition or registration of an affiliate unit of a National Sports Body under section 10,—

(a) where the cancellation or suspension of Board recognition or registration, concerns a State sports federation, the Board may direct the concerned National Sports Federation or the Regional Sports Federation; and

(b) where the cancellation or suspension of Board recognition or registration, concerns a district sports federation, the Board may direct the concerned State sports federation,

to constitute an *ad hoc* administrative body consisting of such members as may be determined by the Board in consultation with the National Sports Body or the concerned affiliate State unit, as the case may be.

(4) The *ad hoc* administrative body shall be responsible for administering the concerned sports body or its affiliate units to ensure compliance with the provisions of this Act.

(5) The *ad hoc* administrative body referred to in sub-section (2) shall consist of a maximum of five eminent sports administrators, who have previously held the office of a President or a Secretary General or a Treasurer of a National Sports Body or who is or has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Olympic Committee, having no past association with the sports discipline or any conflict of interest:

Provided that no person shall be part of more than one *ad hoc* administrative body at the same time.

CHAPTER V  
CODE OF ETHICS

Code of Ethics.

12. (1) Every National Sports Body shall formulate a Code of Ethics for the members of its Executive Committee and other committees, employees, staff, sponsors, coaches, athletes, officials, members, affiliates and such other relevant persons, in accordance with the guidelines specified by the Board.

(2) The Code of Ethics shall establish minimum standards for the ethical and appropriate conduct of the persons specified in sub-section (1).

(3) The Code of Ethics shall be framed in accordance with the Code of Ethics of the International Sports Bodies and in consonance with the applicable laws in India.

(4) The Code of Ethics shall provide measures for protection of vulnerable persons against abuse by person in a position of trust, responsibility or authority.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this sub-section, “person in a position of trust” means any person who exercises authority, control or influence over another person, or a person on whom another person is dependent and who is connected or associated with the affairs of the National Sports Body.

CHAPTER VI

SAFE SPORTS POLICY AND GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

Safe Sports Policy.

13. (1) The Board shall frame a comprehensive Safe Sports Policy applicable to all activities, events, operations and proceedings conducted by the National Sports Bodies.

(2) The Safe Sports Policy shall include provisions to ensure the protection and safety of women and minor athletes and such other persons as may be prescribed.

(3) Every National Sports Body shall establish an internal grievance redressal mechanism to address the grievances raised by athletes, coaches and other individuals associated with such body, in a fair, timely and transparent manner.

CHAPTER VII

PRIVILEGES AND DUTIES OF RECOGNISED SPORTS ORGANISATION

Privileges of recognised sports organisation.

14. (1) Only a recognised sports organisation shall be eligible to receive grants or any other financial assistance from the Central Government.

(2) A recognised sports organisation, receiving grants or any other financial assistance from the Central Government under sub-section (1) or from a State Government, shall be considered as a public authority under the Right to Information Act, 2005, with respect to utilisation of such grants or any other financial assistance.

22 of 2005.

Duties of recognised sports organisation.

15. A recognised sports organisation shall ensure that all its voting members and affiliate units, as applicable, complies with—

(a) the International Charters and Statutes, as applicable, and shall exercise the rights, perform the duties and discharge the functions as specified therein; and

(b) the provisions of this Act and the rules and regulations made thereunder.

CHAPTER VIII

NATIONAL SPORTS ELECTION PANEL

National Sports Election Panel and appointment of electoral officers.

16. (1) The Central Government shall, on the recommendations of the Board, notify a National Sports Election Panel consisting of such number of persons as it may deem necessary, who are retired Chief Election Commissioner or Election Commissioner or Deputy Election Commissioner or retired State Election Commissioner or Chief Electoral Officers of the States, with adequate experience of conduct of elections under the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

43 of 1951.

(2) The persons notified under sub-section (1) shall act as electoral officers to oversee the conduct of free and fair elections to the Executive Committees and the Athletes Committee of the National Sports Bodies.

(3) The Board shall maintain a roster of the National Sports Election Panel in such manner as may be prescribed.

(4) The fees and other allowances to be paid to the persons notified under sub-section (1) shall be such as may be prescribed.

(5) The National Sports Bodies may appoint an electoral officer from the National Sports Election Panel to oversee its election process and ensure free and fair elections:

Provided that where the Charters or Statutes of the International Sports Body require appointment of any other person as an electoral officer, the concerned National Sports Body may appoint such other person after furnishing the details, including qualifications and experience, of the person, to the Board.

(6) Every National Sports Body, having affiliate units, shall prepare an Election Panel for the conduct of free and fair elections of the Executive Committees of their affiliate units, consisting of such number of retired persons as it may deem necessary, having adequate experience of conduct of elections under the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

(7) Every affiliate unit shall appoint an electoral officer from the roster to be maintained by the National Sports Body, to oversee its election process and ensure free and fair elections.

#### CHAPTER IX

##### NATIONAL SPORTS TRIBUNAL

17. (1) The Central Government shall, by notification, constitute a National Sports Tribunal consisting of a chairperson and two other members, to provide for the independent, speedy, effective and cost-efficient disposal of sports related disputes.

(2) The chairperson shall be a person who is or has been, a Judge of the Supreme Court or the Chief Justice of a High Court.

(3) The members shall be persons of eminence in public life with wide knowledge and experience in sports, public administration and law.

(4) The chairperson and the other members of the Tribunal shall be appointed by the Central Government on the recommendations of a Search-cum-Selection Committee consisting of the following members, namely:—

(a) the Chief Justice of India or a Supreme Court Judge recommended by the Chief Justice of India—chairperson;

(b) the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Law and Justice—member;

(c) the Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Sports—member.

(5) The Search-cum-Selection Committee shall determine the procedure for making its recommendations.

(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in any judgment, order or decree of any court, or in any law for the time being in force, the Search-cum-Selection Committee shall recommend a panel of two names for appointment to the post of chairperson or member, as the case may be, and the Central Government shall take a decision on the recommendations made by that Committee, preferably within three months from the date of such recommendation.

(7) No appointment shall be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy or absence of a member in the Search-cum-Selection Committee.

(8) The term of office and other conditions of service of chairperson and members of the Tribunal shall be such as may be prescribed.

Constitution of  
National Sports  
Tribunal.

(9) The Tribunal shall formulate its own procedure for the conduct of its business including the timelines to be followed for the disposal of matters.

(10) All expenses incurred in connection with the Tribunal shall be defrayed out of the Consolidated Fund of India.

Removal of chairperson or members of Tribunal.

18. (1) The Central Government shall remove from office a chairperson or member of the Tribunal who—

(a) has been adjudged an insolvent;

(b) has been convicted of an offence which, in the opinion of the Central Government, involves moral turpitude;

(c) has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a member;

(d) has acquired such financial or other interest as is likely to affect prejudicially his functions as a member; or

(e) has so abused his position as to render his continuation in office prejudicial to public interest:

Provided that where the chairperson or member is proposed to be removed on any ground specified in clauses (c) to (e), he shall be informed of the charges against him and given an opportunity of being heard in respect of those charges.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), a member of the Tribunal shall not be removed from his office on the grounds specified therein unless the Chief Justice of India or his nominee judge, on a reference being made to him in this behalf by the Central Government, has on inquiry held in accordance with such procedure as he may specify in this behalf, recommended the removal.

Staff of Tribunal.

19. (1) The Central Government shall, in consultation with the Tribunal, appoint such officers and other employees as may be necessary for discharging the functions of the Tribunal.

(2) The officers and other employees of the Tribunal shall discharge their functions under the general superintendence and control of the chairperson or any other member of the Tribunal to whom powers for exercising such superintendence and control are delegated by the chairperson.

(3) The qualifications, appointment, salary and allowances and other terms and conditions of service of officers and other employees of the Tribunal shall be such as may be prescribed.

Exclusion of jurisdiction of Tribunal.

20. The Tribunal shall not have jurisdiction to adjudicate the following matters, namely:—

(a) any dispute, or conflict arising during the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, or any other similar events organised by any International Federations;

(b) any dispute falling within the exclusive jurisdiction of—

(i) the internal disputes resolution committee of a National Sports Body; or

(ii) any other tribunal or court; or

(iii) any International Federation; or

(iv) the Court of Arbitration for Sports established in Lausanne, Switzerland;

(c) doping related disputes, where Disciplinary Panels constituted under the National Anti-Doping Act, 2022 have exclusive jurisdiction;

(d) any matter in respect of which the International Charters and Statutes require the parties to submit to specific mechanism or forum for adjudication.

45 of 2023.	<p>21. The members and other officers and employees of the Board or the Tribunal shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of clause (28) of section 2 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.</p>	Members, etc., to be public servants.
	<p>22. (1) All cases under civil jurisdiction falling within the scope of this Act, in which the National Sports Bodies are impleaded as parties and are pending before a District Court or High Court immediately before the constitution of the Tribunal, shall be transferred to the Tribunal on and from such date as may be specified by the Central Government.</p> <p>(2) The cases transferred to the Tribunal under sub-section (1) may be heard and adjudicated from the stage at which such dispute was pending in the concerned Court, or may be heard afresh if the Tribunal deems appropriate after recording the reasons therefor in writing.</p>	Transfer of pending cases.
	<p>23. No civil court shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit or proceeding in respect of any matter on which the Tribunal is empowered under this Act to determine and no injunction shall be granted by any court or other authority in respect of any action taken or to be taken in pursuance of any power conferred on the Tribunal by or under this Act.</p>	Bar on jurisdiction of a civil court.
5 of 1908.	<p>24. (1) The Tribunal shall have, for the purposes of discharging its functions under this Act, the same powers as are vested in a civil court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 while trying a suit, in respect of the following matters, namely:—</p> <p>(a) summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person and examining him on oath;</p> <p>(b) requiring the discovery and production of documents;</p> <p>(c) receiving evidence on affidavits;</p> <p>(d) calling for any public record or document or a copy of such record or document, from any office, subject to the provisions of sections 129 and 130 of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023;</p> <p>(e) issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses or documents;</p> <p>(f) reviewing its decisions;</p> <p>(g) dismissing an application for default or deciding it, <i>ex parte</i>;</p> <p>(h) setting aside any order of dismissal of any application for default or any order passed by it, <i>ex parte</i>; and</p> <p>(i) any other matter which may be prescribed.</p> <p>(2) Every proceeding before the Tribunal shall be deemed to be a judicial proceeding within the meaning of sections 228, 229, 233, 257 and 267 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.</p>	Powers of Tribunal.
47 of 2023.	<p>(3) The Tribunal shall be deemed to be a civil court for the purpose of section 215 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.</p>	
45 of 2023.	<p>25. (1) Unless the International Charters and Statutes provide for appeal before the Court of Arbitration for Sport, an appeal shall lie against any order of the Tribunal, not being an interlocutory order, to the Supreme Court.</p> <p>(2) No appeal shall lie against any decision made by the Tribunal with the consent of the parties.</p> <p>(3) Every appeal under this section shall be preferred within a period of thirty days from the date of the decision appealed against:</p> <p>Provided that the Supreme Court may entertain the appeal after the expiry of the said period of thirty days, if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by sufficient cause from preferring the appeal in time.</p>	Appeal to Supreme Court.
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Orders passed by Tribunal to be executable as a decree.

26. (1) An order passed by the Tribunal under this Act shall be executable as a decree of a civil court, and for this purpose, the Tribunal shall have all the powers of a civil court.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the Tribunal may transmit any order made by it to a civil court having local jurisdiction and such civil court shall execute the order as if it were a decree made by that court.

#### CHAPTER X

##### USE OF NATIONAL NAMES AND INSIGNIA

Use of national names and insignia.

27. (1) Any sports organisation desirous of using the word "India" or "Indian" or "National" or any national insignia or symbols in any language in its registered name, operating name, logo or otherwise in its affairs, shall obtain a no-objection certificate from the Central Government for such use:

Provided that a sports organisation other than a recognised sports organisation shall, in addition to the requirements under this sub-section, obtain written consent of the Board.

(2) No sports organisation shall use the name "India" or the name of any State or district in India, or conduct any sports trials, tournaments, or events upon the suspension or cancellation of its recognition by the Board under this Act.

(3) No person or group of persons, either individually or collectively, shall represent or be allowed to represent India or any State or district in India, in any sports trials, tournaments or events of designated sports without an authorisation by a National Sports Body or its affiliate unit.

#### CHAPTER XI

##### MISCELLANEOUS

Fund.

28. (1) There shall be constituted a Fund to be called the National Sports Board Fund and there shall be credited thereto—

(a) all grants, fees and charges received by the Board under this Act; and

(b) all sums received by the Board from such other sources as may be decided upon by the Central Government.

(2) The Fund constituted under sub-section (1) shall be applied for meeting—

(a) the salaries and allowances payable to the Chairperson and Members of the Board and the administrative expenses including the salaries and allowances payable to or in respect of officers and other employees of the Board; and

(b) all other expenses for meeting the objects and for the purposes authorised by this Act.

Accounts and audit.

29. (1) The Board shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepare an annual statement of accounts in such form as may be prescribed by the Central Government in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(2) The accounts of the Board shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred in connection with such audit shall be payable by the Board to the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(3) The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India and any other person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Board shall have the same rights and privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India generally has, in connection with the audit of the Government accounts and, in particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the offices of the Board.

(4) The accounts of the Board as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or any other person appointed by him in this behalf together with the audit report thereon shall be forwarded annually to the Central Government and that Government shall cause the same to be laid before each House of Parliament.

30. (1) The Central Government in consonance with the International Charters and Statutes, may take such measures as may be prescribed, as it considers necessary for the promotion and development of sports, including in the public interest.

Measures for promotion and development of sports.

(2) The measures referred to in sub-section (1), may include,—

(a) the guiding principles for the conduct of elections by the National Sports Bodies, including model election rules;

(b) the promotion of the welfare and interests of sportspersons;

(c) the protection of the data and privacy of sportspersons; and

(d) the appropriate use of technology and analytics in the context of sport.

31. (1) The Central Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act:

Power to make rules.

Provided that the Central Government, while making rules under this section, shall take into consideration the International Charters and Statutes, with the objective of ensuring transparency, accountability, and integrity in the management and administration of sports in India.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:—

(a) the relevant affiliations of Regional Sports Federation under sub-section (6) of section 3;

(b) the sportspersons of outstanding merit and other categories of persons under the proviso to clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 4;

(c) the mode of election to different bodies, committees and offices including their term, eligibility criteria and disqualification of members thereof, and other matters of governance under sub-section (4) of section 4;

(d) the composition and number of Members of the Board under sub-section (1) of section 5;

(e) the composition of the search-cum-selection committee under sub-section (2) of section 5;

(f) the salary and allowances, term of office of Chairperson and other Members of the Board and other terms and conditions of their service including removal from service, under sub-section (3) of section 5;

(g) other places in which the Board shall establish its branch offices under sub-section (5) of section 5;

(h) the measures to be taken by the Board for ensuring protection of the rights and welfare of athletes and support personnel under clause (i) of section 6;

(i) other powers and functions of the Board under clause (j) of section 6;

(j) the qualifications, appointment, salary and allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the officers and the other employees of the Board under sub-section (3) of section 7;

(k) the conditions and the manner in which affiliate units of the National Sports Bodies shall ensure registration of their affiliate units with the Board under sub-section (6) of section 8;

(l) other persons to be covered by the Safe Sports Policy under sub-section (2) of section 13;

(m) manner of maintaining roster of the National Sports Election Panel by the Board under sub-section (3) of section 16;

(n) the fees and other allowances to be paid to the empanelled persons under sub-section (4) of section 16;

(o) the term of office and other conditions of service of chairperson and members of Tribunal under sub-section (8) of section 17;

(p) the qualifications, appointment, salary and allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the officers and the other employees of the Tribunal under sub-section (3) of section 19;

(q) any other matter under clause (i) of sub-section (1) of section 24;

(r) the form in which the Board shall prepare annual statement of accounts under sub-section (1) of section 29;

(s) the measures to be taken by the Central Government for the promotion and development of sports under sub-section (1) of section 30; and

(t) any other matter which is to be, or may be prescribed.

Power to make regulations.

32. (1) The Board may, with the previous approval of the Central Government, by notification, make regulations consistent with this Act and the rules made thereunder, to carry out the provisions of this Act:

Provided that the Board, while making regulations under this section, shall comply with the International Charters and Statutes, with the objective of ensuring transparency, accountability, and integrity in the management and administration of sports in India.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may make provision for—

(a) the manner of maintaining register of the National Sports Bodies and their respective affiliate units by the Board under clause (b) of section 6;

(b) the form, manner and particulars of application under sub-section (2) of section 8;

(c) other criteria and conditions to be complied by the sports organisations under clause (d) of sub-section (3) of section 8;

(d) the intervals and procedure for renewal of Board recognition under sub-section (4) of section 8;

(e) the eligibility criteria for Board recognition of the sports organisation as a National Sports Promotion Organisation, the manner of their governance and functioning and the intervals and procedure for renewal of such recognition under sub-section (8) of section 8; and

(f) any other matter which is to be, or may be, specified by regulations under this Act.

Laying of rules, regulations and notifications.

33. Every rule, regulation and every notification made or issued under this Act shall be laid as soon as may be, after it is made or issued, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session for a total period of thirty days, which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule, regulation or notification or both Houses agree that the rule, regulation or notification should not be made or issued, the rule, regulation or notification shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule, regulation or notification.

34. (1) If the Central Government considers it necessary and expedient so to do in the public interest for the promotion of specific sport disciplines consistent with the spirit of good governance enshrined in the Olympic Charter, it may, in consultation with the Board and the concerned International Sports Body, by notification, direct that subject to such conditions and restrictions, if any, and for such period as may be specified in the notification, all or any of the provisions of this Act or any rule or regulation made thereunder shall not apply to a National Sports Body or its affiliate unit specified therein.

Power to exempt in special cases.

(2) The Central Government may, by notification, and for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax the eligibility criteria for the members of the Executive Committee, if such person is serving in the executive committee or a similar body of a corresponding International Sports Body or is in the General Body of the International Olympic Committee or International Paralympic Committee.

35. (1) The Central Government may, from time to time, give such directions as it may think fit, to the Board or any other person or entity for the efficient administration of this Act.

Power to issue directions and impose restrictions in national interest.

(2) The Central Government may, by an order, impose reasonable restrictions on the participation of any national team of a concerned sport in international sports competitions or participation of any individual in the activities of the national sports, under extraordinary circumstances and in the interest of national security, public order and safety.

36. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against any Member of the Board or member of a National Sports Body or the Tribunal or any officer or other employee of such authorities or any other person or authority for anything which has been done or is intended to be done in good faith under this Act or the rules and regulations made thereunder.

Protection of action taken in good faith.

37. (1) The National Sports Bodies shall primarily be guided by the International Charters and Statutes in the governance of its affairs.

Conflicts with International Charters and Statutes.

(2) In the event of any conflict between a provision of this Act and the International Charters and Statutes, the Central Government may, after consulting the Board and the concerned International Sports Body as may be deemed necessary, issue a clarificatory notification in this regard.

38. (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any provision of this Act, the Central Government may, by order published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as may appear to it to be necessary, for removing the difficulty:

Power to remove difficulties.

Provided that no order shall be made under this section after the expiry of a period of five years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

DR. RAJIV MANI,  
Secretary to the Govt. of India.





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**का.आ. 6152(अ).**— केन्द्रीय सरकार, राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 (2025 का 25) की धारा 1 की उपधारा (2) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, तारीख 1 जनवरी, 2026 को उस तारीख के रूप में नियत करती है जिसको उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 1 से धारा 3, धारा 4 की उपधारा (1), उपधारा (2) और उपधारा (4), धारा 5 की उपधारा (1) और उपधारा (2), धारा 8 की उपधारा (5), धारा 11 की उपधारा (1), धारा 14, धारा 15, धारा 17 की उपधारा (1) से उपधारा (7) और उपधारा (10), धारा 30, धारा 31, धारा 33 से धारा 38 के उपबंध प्रवृत्त होंगे।

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कुणाल, संयुक्त सचिव

**MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**  
**(Department of Sports)**  
**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 31st December, 2025

**S.O. 6152(E).** — In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 1 of the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 (25 of 2025), the Central Government hereby appoints the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of sections 1 to 3, sub-sections (1), (2) and (4) of section 4, sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 5, sub-section (5) of section 8, sub-section (1) of section 11, section 14, section 15, sub-sections (1) to (7) and (10) of section 17, section 30, section 31, sections 33 to 38 of the said Act, shall come into force.

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सा.का.नि. 12(अ).— केन्द्रीय सरकार राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 (2025 का 25) की धारा 31 की उपधारा (1) और उपधारा (2) के खंड (ड) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, निम्नलिखित नियम बनाती है, अर्थात् :-

1. संक्षिप्त नाम और प्रारंभ- (1) इन नियमों का संक्षिप्त नाम राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड (खोज-सह-चयन समिति) नियम, 2026 है।

(2) ये राजपत्र में इनके प्रकाशन की तारीख को लागू होंगे।

2. परिभाषाएँ - (1) इन नियमों में, जब तक संदर्भ से अन्यथा अपेक्षित न हो-

(क) "अधिनियम" से राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 (2025 का 25) अभिप्रेत है ;

(ख) "बोर्ड" से अधिनियम की धारा 5 की उपधारा (1) के अधीन स्थापित राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड अभिप्रेत है;

- (ग) "केंद्रीय सरकार" से भारत सरकार (कार्य आवंटन) नियम, 1961 के अधीन केंद्रीय सरकार का वह विभाग अभिप्रेत है, जिसे खेल विषय आवंटित किया गया है ;
- (घ) "अध्यक्ष" से अधिनियम की धारा 5 के अधीन नियुक्त अध्यक्ष अभिप्रेत है;
- (ङ) "समिति" से अधिनियम की धारा 5 की उपधारा (2) के अधीन खोज-सह-चयन समिति अभिप्रेत है; और
- (च) "सदस्य" से अधिनियम की धारा 5 के अधीन नियुक्त सदस्य अभिप्रेत है, और इसके अंतर्गत अध्यक्ष भी सम्मिलित है।
- (2) इन नियमों में प्रयुक्त शब्द और अभिव्यक्तियाँ जो यहाँ परिभाषित नहीं हैं, परन्तु अधिनियम में परिभाषित हैं, उनका वही अर्थ होगा जो अधिनियम में उन्हें दिया गया है।

### 3. खोज-सह-चयन समिति का गठन और चयन प्रक्रिया-

(1) केन्द्रीय सरकार, मंत्रिमंडल सचिव की अध्यक्षता में एक खोज-सह-चयन समिति का गठन करेगी, जिसमें निम्नलिखित सदस्य होंगे, अर्थात्:-

- (क) सचिव, खेल विभाग, भारत सरकार; और
- (ख) केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा खेल प्रशासन में अनुभव रखने वाले एक व्यक्ति और राष्ट्रीय खेल पुरस्कार प्राप्त करने वाले दो व्यक्ति को नामनिर्दिष्ट किया जाएगा।

(2) समिति, अध्यक्ष और बोर्ड के दो सदस्यों के स्थान के लिए योग्यता, सत्यनिष्ठा और प्रतिष्ठा वाले व्यक्तियों में से, लोक प्रशासन, खेल प्रशासन, खेल विधि और अन्य संबंधित क्षेत्रों में ज्ञान या व्यावहारिक अनुभव रखने वाले व्यक्तियों के नामों के एक पैनल की सिफारिश करेगी।

(3) समिति, केन्द्रीय सरकार को सिफारिश किए जाने वाले नामों को पैनल में सम्मिलित करने के लिए उप-नियम (2) के अधीन यथा विनिर्दिष्ट व्यक्तियों के चयन की प्रक्रिया अवधारित करेगी।

(4) समिति, अध्यक्ष या बोर्ड के सदस्य के रूप में किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति की सिफारिश नहीं करेगी जिसने पूर्ववर्ती एक वर्ष में किसी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय महासंघ, राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय या ऐसे राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की संबद्ध इकाई में कोई पद धारण किया हो या सदस्य रहा हो।

(5) खोज-सह-चयन समिति का कोई भी कार्य या कार्यवाही केवल ऐसी समिति में किसी रिक्ति या अनुपस्थिति होने या उसके गठन में दोष होने के आधार पर प्रश्रुगत नहीं होंगे।

4. रिक्तियां- (1) खोज-सह-चयन समिति द्वारा नियम 3 के उप-नियम (2) के अधीन सिफारिश किए गए नामों का पैनल एक वर्ष की अवधि के लिए विधिमान्य रहेगा, और केन्द्रीय सरकार इस अवधि के दौरान किसी भी कारण से उत्पन्न होने वाली किसी भी रिक्ति के संबंध में ऐसे पैनल से किसी व्यक्ति को नियुक्त करेगी।

(2) यदि उप-नियम (1) के अधीन कोई पैनल विद्यमान नहीं है, तो केन्द्रीय सरकार, किसी रिक्ति के उत्पन्न होने की तारीख से एक माह के भीतर, जिसमें अध्यक्ष या सदस्य की मृत्यु, त्यागपत्र या पदच्युति के कारण रिक्ति सम्मिलित है, या अध्यक्ष या सदस्य के कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से तीन माह पूर्व,-

- (क) नियम 3 के उप-नियम (1) के अधीन यथा उपबंधित खोज-सह-चयन समिति का गठन करेगी; और
- (ख) ऐसी रिक्ति को भरने के लिए ऐसी खोज-सह-चयन समिति को निर्दिष्ट करेगी और इस नियम के उपबंधों को ऐसी किसी रिक्ति को भरने के लिए लागू करेगी।

5. पुनर्नियुक्ति हेतु चयन-(1) अध्यक्ष और सदस्य द्वारा एक और कार्यकाल के लिए पुनर्नियुक्ति हेतु आवेदन किया जा सकेगा, और ऐसे आवेदन पर खोज-सह-चयन समिति द्वारा मूल नियुक्ति के जैसे सभी चयनित व्यक्तियों के साथ विचार किया जाएगा।

परंतु, अध्यक्ष और सदस्य तीन वर्ष की अवधि के लिए या पैंसठ वर्ष की आयु प्राप्त करने तक, जो भी पहले हो, पद धरण करेंगे।

(2) किसी पद के लिए उपयुक्तता का निर्धारण करते समय, खोज-सह-चयन समिति बोर्ड में पुनर्नियुक्ति के इच्छुक व्यक्तियों को बोर्ड में उनके अनुभव के लिए अतिरिक्त महत्व देगी और ऐसा करते हुए, ऐसे व्यक्ति द्वारा बोर्ड में सदस्य या अध्यक्ष के रूप में किए गए कार्य प्रदर्शन को ध्यान में रखेगी।

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कुणाल, संयुक्त सचिव

## MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

(Department of Sports)

### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 8th January, 2026

**G.S.R. 12(E).**— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 31 of the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 (25 of 2025), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

**1. Short title and commencement.** — (1) These rules may be called the National Sports Board (Search-cum-Selection Committee) Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2. Definitions.** — (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- (a) "Act" means the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 (25 of 2025);
- (b) "Board" means the National Sports Board established under sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Act;
- (c) "Central Government" shall mean the Department of the Central Government which has been allocated the subject matter of sports under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961;
- (d) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson appointed under section 5 of the Act;
- (e) "committee" means the search-cum-selection committee under sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Act; and
- (f) "Member" means a member appointed under section 5 of the Act, and includes the Chairperson.

(2) Words and expressions used in these rules and not defined herein, but defined in the Act, shall have the meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

**3. Constitution of the search-cum-selection committee and process of selection.** — (1) The Central Government shall constitute a search-cum-selection committee chaired by the Cabinet Secretary, which consist of the following members, namely:-

- (a) Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Sports; and
- (b) one person possessing experience in sports administration, and two persons who are recipients of national sports awards, to be nominated by the Central Government.

(2) The committee shall recommend a panel of names for the positions of Chairperson and two Members of the Board, from among persons of ability, integrity and standing, having knowledge or practical experience in the field of public administration, sports governance, sports law and other related fields.

(3) The committee shall determine the procedure for selecting the persons as specified under sub-rule (2) for inclusion in the panel of names to be recommended to the Central Government.

(4) The committee shall not recommend as the Chairperson or Member of the Board, any person who has held any office or has been a member, in the preceding one year, of any International Federation, National Sports Body or affiliate unit of such National Sports Body.

(5) No act or proceeding of the search-cum-selection committee shall be called in question on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy or absences in such committee or defect in its constitution.

**4. Vacancy.** — (1) The panel of names recommended by the search-cum-selection committee under sub-rule (2) of rule 3, shall remain valid for a period of one year, and the Central Government shall appoint a person from such panel in respect of any vacancy which may arise for any reason during this period.

(2) Where there is no existing panel as provided under sub-rule (1), the Central Government shall, within one month from the date of occurrence of any vacancy, including by reason of death, or resignation, or removal of the Chairperson or a Member, or within three months before the end of tenure of the Chairperson or Member,-

- (a) constitute a search-cum-selection committee as provided under sub-rule (1) of rule 3; and
- (b) make a reference to such search-cum-selection committee for filling up of such vacancy, and provisions of this rule shall apply for filling of any such vacancy.

**5. Selection for re-appointment.** — (1) The Chairperson and Members may make an application for reappointment for one more term, and such application shall be considered by the search-cum-selection committee in the same manner as that for original appointment, along with all the persons shortlisted by it:

Provided that the Chairperson and Members shall hold office for a period of three years or till he attain the age of sixty-five years, whichever is earlier.

(2) While making its assessment for suitability to a post, the search-cum-selection committee shall give additional weightage to the persons seeking re-appointment for their experience in the Board and while doing so, shall take into account the performance of such person while working as a Member or a Chairperson in the Board.

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सा.का.नि. 18(अ).- केन्द्रीय सरकार, राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 ( वर्ष 2025 का 25) की धारा 31 की उपधारा (1) तथा उपधारा (2) के खंड (क), (ख), (ग), (ट), (ड), (ढ) और (न) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, निम्नलिखित नियम बनाती है, अर्थात्:-

अध्याय 1

प्रारंभिक

1. संक्षिप्त नाम और प्रारंभ—(1) इन नियमों का संक्षिप्त नाम राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन (राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय) नियम, 2026 है।

(2) ये नियम राजपत्र में प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रभावी होंगे।

2. परिभाषाएँ - (1) इन नियमों में , जब तक कि संदर्भ से अन्यथा अपेक्षित न हो -

(क) "अधिनियम" से राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 (वर्ष 2025 का 25) अभिप्रेत है;

(ख) "केन्द्रीय सरकार" से केन्द्रीय सरकार का वह विभाग अभिप्रेत है जिसे भारत सरकार (कार्य आबंटन) नियम, 1961 के अन्तर्गत खेल विषय आवंटित किया गया है;

(ग) "निर्वाचित पद" से कार्यकारी समिति के सभी पद अभिप्रेत है, सिवाय, -

(i) अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) के अधीन खंड (ख) के उपखंड (ii) के अधीन खेल समिति के प्रतिनिधियों के लिए आरक्षित पद; और

(ii) अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) के अन्तर्गत खण्ड (ख) के उपखण्ड (iii) के अन्तर्गत पदेन सदस्यों द्वारा धारित किए जाने वाले पद ;

(घ) "निर्वाचन नियमों" से अनुसूची II में विनिर्दिष्ट कार्यकारी समितियों के चुनावों पर लागू नियम अभिप्रेत है;

(ङ) "निर्वाचन अधिकारी" से अधिनियम की धारा 16 की उपधारा (1) के अन्तर्गत अधिसूचित व्यक्ति अभिप्रेत है;

(च) "कार्यकारी समिति" से अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) के खंड (ख) के अनुसरण में प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय में गठित समिति से अभिप्रेत है;

(छ) "सामान्य निकाय" से अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) के खंड (क) के अनुसरण में प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय में गठित निकाय अभिप्रेत है;

(ज) "राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय" से अधिनियम की धारा 5 के अन्तर्गत स्थापित निकाय अभिप्रेत है;

(झ) "अनुसूची" से इन नियमों के साथ संलग्न अनुसूची अभिप्रेत है; और

(ञ) "उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों के लिए पात्रता नियम" में अनुसूची I में विनिर्दिष्ट उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों के लिए पात्रता नियमों अभिप्रेत है।

(2) इन नियमों में प्रयुक्त शब्दों और पद, जो इसमें परिभाषित नहीं हैं, किन्तु अधिनियम में परिभाषित हैं, के वही अर्थ होंगे, जो उनके अधिनियम में हैं।

## अध्याय 2

## उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी

3. महासभा में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों का प्रतिनिधित्व — (1) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की महासभा में, मतदान सदस्य के रूप में, कम से कम चार अथवा कोई अन्य उच्चतर सम संख्या में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों को सम्मिलित किया जाएगा, जिनमें से पचास प्रतिशत उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ी होंगे और पचास प्रतिशत उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ी होंगी।

(2) उप-नियम (1) के अधीन उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों को निर्वाचन या नामांकन की विधि संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल संस्था के उपनियमों में विनिर्दिष्ट की जा सकती है।

4. कार्यकारी समिति में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों का प्रतिनिधित्व — अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) के खंड (ख) के उपखंड (i) के अनुसरण में, उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों को कार्यकारी समिति में सम्मिलित किया जाएगा और नियम 9 के अनुसार कार्यकारी समिति में उनका निर्वाचन किया जाएगा।

5. पात्रता मानदंड और आवेदन — (1) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय उन व्यक्तियों से आवेदन आमंत्रित करेगी जिन्हें उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी के रूप में विचार किया जाना है और ऐसे आवेदन आमंत्रण में सामान्य पात्रता मानदंड तथा स्तरीकृत पात्रता मानदंड, जैसा कि अनुसूची-1 में विनिर्दिष्ट है, का उल्लेख किया जाएगा, जिसके आधार पर उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची तैयार की जाएगी।

(2) उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी के रूप में आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने वाले किसी भी व्यक्ति को अनुसूची-1 के अधीन उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की पात्रता नियमावली में विनिर्दिष्ट सामान्य पात्रता मानदंडों को पूरा करना होगा और आवेदन आमंत्रित किए जाने की तारीख से साठ दिनों की अवधि के भीतर संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय को आवेदन प्रस्तुत करना होगा, जो उस संस्था की कार्यकारी समिति द्वारा या उसके उपनियमों में विनिर्दिष्ट प्ररूप और जानकारी के अनुसार हो।

6. उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची— (1) नियम 5 के उप-नियम (2) के अधीन प्रस्तुत आवेदनों पर विचार करने के पश्चात्, प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय अपने संबंधित खेल के संबंध में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ियों की एक सूची तथा उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ियों की एक सूची तैयार करेगा और यह सूची उस राष्ट्रीय खेल संस्था की वर्तमान कार्यकारी समिति के कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम से कम नब्बे दिन पूर्व तैयार करेगा।

(2) यथास्थिति उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ियों की सूची तथा उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ियों की सूची, दोनों में उतने खिलाड़ियों की संख्या सम्मिलित की जाए जो संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की महासभा में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ियों अथवा उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ियों की संख्या, से दस गुना होगी।

(3) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की संबंधित सूची तैयार करते समय, उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ियों तथा उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ियों पर जो भी लागू हो, निम्नलिखित प्रक्रिया का पालन करेगी, यथा:—

(क) पहली बार, वे सभी आवेदक जो अनुसूची-1 में विनिर्दिष्ट सामान्य पात्रता मानदंड तथा स्तरीकृत पात्रता मानदंड के प्रथम स्तर (टियर 1) की आवश्यकता को पूरा करते हैं, उन्हें संबंधित उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची में सम्मिलित किया जाएगा।

(ख) यदि उपखंड (क) के अनुसार उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची उप-नियम (2) में विनिर्दिष्ट सीमा तक तैयार नहीं की जा सकती है, तो राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय उन आवेदकों को सम्मिलित करेगी जो सामान्य पात्रता मानदंड तथा स्तरीकृत पात्रता मानदंड को पूरा करते हों और उन्हें क्रमिक रूप से उस स्तर के तुरंत पश्चात वाले स्तर में सम्मिलित किया जाएगा जिसे अंतिम बार विचार किया गया था, जब तक कि संबंधित उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची में सम्मिलित आवेदकों की संख्या उक्त सीमा को पूरा न कर ले।

(ग) यदि किसी विशेष स्तर (टियर) के उपयोग के परिणामस्वरूप उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की संख्या उप-नियम (2) में विनिर्दिष्ट सीमा से अधिक हो जाती है, तो उस स्तर के अधीनयोग्य अभ्यर्थियों के समूह में आयु के आधार पर सबसे वरिष्ठ आवेदक को चयन में प्राथमिकता और वरीयता दी जाएगी; और

(घ) यदि राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय उप-नियम (2) में विनिर्दिष्ट सीमा तक संबंधित उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची को उपखंड (क) से (ग) के अधीनदिए गए चरणों के आधार पर तैयार करने में असमर्थ होती है, तो वह नियम 5 के उप-नियम (1) के अनुसार पुनः आवेदन आमंत्रित कर सकती है अथवा ऐसी उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची के लिए अतिरिक्त स्तरीकृत मानदंड तैयार और स्वीकृत कर सकती है, जो अनुसूची-1 में प्रयुक्त सिद्धांतों पर आधारित होंगे।

(4) उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूचियाँ, जिन्हें इस नियम के अनुसार अंतिम रूप दिया गया है, संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की आधिकारिक वेबसाइट पर प्रकाशित की जाएंगी और राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड को प्रस्तुत की जाएंगी।

(5) किसी भी व्यक्ति का नाम यदि उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों की सूची में सम्मिलित है, तो उसे उस राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के संबंध में अधिनियम और उसके अधीनबनाए गए नियमों के प्रयोजनों के लिए उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाला खिलाड़ी माना जाएगा।

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#### महासभा और कार्यकारी समिति

7. महासभा की संरचना।— (1) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की महासभा में निम्नलिखित श्रेणियों के सदस्य होंगे:—

(क) कम से कम चार उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी;

(ख) राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के मामले में, राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति की उपनियमों में विनिर्दिष्ट पदेन सदस्य;

(ग) राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के मामले में, प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल परिसंघ के प्रतिनिधि जो राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ संबद्ध इकाई के रूप में रजिस्ट्रीकृत हैं;

(घ) राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के अतिरिक्त किसी अन्य राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के मामले में, प्रत्येक राज्य स्तरीय संबद्ध इकाई के प्रतिनिधि, जो राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ रजिस्ट्रीकृत हैं; और

(ड) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियमों द्वारा प्रदत्त अन्य किसी श्रेणी के व्यक्ति, जो अंतर्राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति द्वारा जारी सुसंगत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय चार्टर और विधियों के अनुरूप हों, अथवा संबंधित अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय द्वारा आवश्यक हों।

(2) उप-नियम (1) के उपखंड (क) में विनिर्दिष्ट उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों का महासभा में निर्वाचन या नामांकन, संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की वर्तमान कार्यकारी समिति के कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम से कम पचहत्तर दिन पूर्व किया जाएगा।

**8. कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल और संरचना—** (1) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल, संबंधित निकाय की उपनियमों द्वारा निर्धारित किया जाएगा, परंतु वह चार वर्ष से अधिक नहीं होगा।

(2) किसी राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियमों में उसकी संरचना विनिर्दिष्ट करते समय यह सुनिश्चित किया जाएगा कि कार्यकारी समिति में उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों में से कम से कम एक महिला हो तथा एथलीट समिति के प्रतिनिधियों में से भी कम से कम एक महिला हो।

**9. कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन की प्रक्रिया—** (1) कार्यकारी समिति के सभी निर्वाचित पदों का निर्वाचन प्रत्येक चार वर्ष में कम से कम एक बार निष्पक्ष और पारदर्शी तरीके से तथा अनुसूची-II में विनिर्दिष्ट निर्वाचन नियमों के अनुसार किया जाएगा।

(2) जब तक अंतर्राष्ट्रीय चार्टर और विधियों में अन्यथा विनिर्दिष्ट न हो, कार्यकारी समिति अपने कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम से कम साठ दिन पूर्व एक प्रस्ताव द्वारा राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल से एक निर्वाचन अधिकारी की नियुक्ति करेगी, जो निर्वाचन सूची तैयार करने और कार्यकारी समिति तथा एथलीट समिति के निर्वाचन का संचालन करेगा।

(3) कार्यकारी समिति, उप-नियम (2) के अधीननियुक्त निर्वाचन अधिकारी से परामर्श करके, अपने कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम से कम पचास दिन पूर्व निर्वाचन की तारीख अधिसूचित करेगी।

(4) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, अनुसूची-II में निहित निर्वाचन नियमों के अनुसरण में, राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन को सुचारु रूप से संपन्न कराने के लिए उत्तरदायी होगा।

(5) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट आवश्यक संख्या में प्रशासनिक कर्मचारियों को उपलब्ध कराएगी ताकि वह अधिकारी कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन का संचालन कर सके।

(6) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय अपनी कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन के लिए इन नियमों में विनिर्दिष्ट समय-सीमाओं का पालन करेगी और उन्हें नीचे दिए गए समय-सारणी अनुसार संक्षेप में प्रस्तुत किया जाएगा।

नियम/खंड	विषय	समय-सारणी
नियम 5(2)	उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी बनने के लिए आवेदन जमा करना	नियम 5 के उप-नियम (1) के अधीन आवेदन आमंत्रित किए जाने के साठ दिनों के भीतर
नियम 6(1)	उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ियों की सूची और उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ियों की सूची तैयार करना	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने से कम से कम नब्बे दिन पूर्व
नियम 7(2)	महासभा के लिए उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों का निर्वाचन या नामांकन	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने से कम से कम पचहत्तर दिन पूर्व
नियम 9(2)	एक निर्वाचन अधिकारी की नियुक्ति	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने

		से कम से कम साठ दिन पूर्व
नियम 9(3)	निर्वाचन की तारीख की सूचना	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने से कम से कम पचास दिन पूर्व
नियम 10(5)	प्रारूप निर्वाचन सूची तैयार करना और जारी करना	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने से कम से कम पैंतालीस दिन पूर्व
अनुसूची II का खंड 5(i)	निर्वाचन की घोषणा, अंतिम निर्वाचन सूची जारी करना और नामांकन के लिए आमंत्रण	विद्यमान कार्यकारी समिति का कार्यकाल खत्म होने से कम से कम तीस दिन पूर्व

**10. कार्यकारी समिति का निर्वाचन—** (1) जब तक कि अंतर्राष्ट्रीय चार्टर और विधियों में अन्यथा विनिर्दिष्ट न हो, कोई भी व्यक्ति जो अधिनियम की धारा 4 की उपधारा (2) के अधीनपात्रता मानदंडों को पूरा करता है और नियम 11 के अधीन निर्हता का पात्र नहीं है, वह राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन का प्रत्याशी हो सकता है।

(2) नियम 7 के उप-नियम (1) में विनिर्दिष्ट अनुसार राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति की महासभा के सदस्य, अपनी कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन में मतदान करने के लिए पात्र होंगे, जो निम्नानुसार है, अर्थात्:—

(क) उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले प्रत्येक खिलाड़ी को एक मत होगा;

(ख) प्रत्येक पदेन सदस्य को एक मत होगा;

(ग) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल परिसंघ, जो राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति की संबद्ध इकाई के रूप में रजिस्ट्रीकृत है, को अधिकतम दो मत प्राप्त होंगे, जिन्हें उस संबद्ध इकाई के अलग-अलग व्यक्तिगत प्रतिनिधियों द्वारा प्रयोग किया जाएगा; और

(घ) नियम 7 के उप-नियम (1) के उपखंड (ड) में विनिर्दिष्ट व्यक्तियों की प्रत्येक श्रेणी के लिए, प्रत्येक ऐसे व्यक्ति का एक मत होगा।

(3) राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के अतिरिक्त किसी अन्य राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की महासभा के सदस्य, नियम 7 के उप-नियम (1) में विनिर्दिष्ट अनुसार अपनी कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन में मतदान करने के लिए पात्र होंगे, जैसा कि नीचे विनिर्दिष्ट है:—

(क) प्रत्येक उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ी का एक मत होगा;

(ख) राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ रजिस्ट्रीकृत राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की प्रत्येक राज्य स्तरीय संबद्ध इकाई को अधिकतम दो मत प्राप्त होंगे, जिन्हें उस संबद्ध इकाई के अलग-अलग व्यक्तिगत प्रतिनिधियों द्वारा प्रयोग किया जाएगा; और

(ग) नियम 7 के उप-नियम (1) के उप-नियम (ड) में विनिर्दिष्ट व्यक्तियों की प्रत्येक श्रेणी के लिए, प्रति व्यक्ति एक मत होगा।

(4) कार्यकारी समिति के निर्वाचन के लिए निर्वाचन सूची में केवल वही सदस्य अथवा उनके प्रतिनिधि सम्मिलित होंगे जो संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की महासभा में उप-नियम (2) या उप-नियम (3), जो भी स्थिति हो, के अनुसार मतदान का अधिकार रखते हैं और जो अधिनियम या इन नियमों के उपबंधों के अधीन अन्यथा निर्हरित नहीं हैं।

(5) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, संबंधित राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की तत्कालीन कार्यकारी समिति से परामर्श करके, कार्यकारी समिति के कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम से कम पैंतालीस दिन पूर्व निर्वाचन हेतु प्रारूप निर्वाचन सूची तैयार करेगा और जारी करेगा:

परंतु यह कि, निर्वाचन सूची में किसी व्यक्ति को सम्मिलित करने अथवा न करने के संबंध में निर्वाचन अधिकारी का विनिश्चय अंतिम और बाध्यकारी होगा।

(6) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, प्रारूप निर्वाचन सूची जारी होने की तारीख से कम से कम सात दिन का समय प्रदान करेगा, ताकि अंतिम निर्वाचन सूची की संरचना के संबंध में प्राप्त किसी भी आपत्ति को स्वीकार किया जा सके और उसका समाधान किया जा सके।

11. निर्हता— (1) कोई भी व्यक्ति महासभा का सदस्य या किसी राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की किसी समिति का सदस्य बनने से निर्हरित होगा और कार्यकारी समिति या खिलाड़ी समिति के निर्वाचन में प्रत्याशी बनने के लिए पात्र नहीं होगा, यदि ऐसा व्यक्ति —

(क) लागू विधि के अधीनदिवालिया घोषित किया गया हो; या

(ख) भारत में सक्षम अधिकारिता वाले किसी न्यायालय द्वारा किसी अपराध के लिए दोषसिद्ध हो और उसे कारावास का दण्डादेश हो; या

(ग) ऐसे राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की आचार समिति के आदेश द्वारा किसी पद को धारण करने से प्रतिबंधित किया गया हो:

परंतु यह कि निर्हता के संबंध में—

(i) खंड (ख) ऐसे दंडादेश के पूरा होने के पश्चात् कार्यपालिका समिति के एक पूरे कालावधि के लिए होगा; और

(ii) खंड (ग) ऐसे प्रतिबंध की अवधि के लिए होगा।

(2) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियमों में यह उपबंध हो सकेगा कि उपनियम (1) के अधीन विनिर्दिष्ट मानदंडों के अतिरिक्त किसी व्यक्ति को निम्नलिखित से भी अयोग्य घोषित किया जाएगा—

(क) ऐसे राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की साधारण निकाय या किसी समिति का सदस्य होने पर, या यदि ऐसा व्यक्ति राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के अतिरिक्त किसी दूसरी राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का सदस्य है, तो वह कार्यपालिका समिति या एथलीट समिति का निर्वाचन लड़ने के लिए अर्हित नहीं होगा; और

(ख) ऐसे राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के साधारण निकाय या किसी समिति का सदस्य होने के कारण, ऐसे व्यक्ति ने किसी अन्य राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय में अध्यक्ष, महासचिव या कोषाध्यक्ष का पद धारण करने के पश्चात् एक कार्यकाल की विराम अवधि पूरी नहीं की है।

**अध्याय 4**  
**राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल**

12. राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल का रोस्टर -(1)राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड, अधिनियम की धारा 16की उपधारा (1)के अधीन अधिसूचित राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल का रोस्टर बनाए रखेगा।

(2)राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल के रोस्टर में हर समय कम से कम बीस सदस्य होंगे जो अधिनियम की धारा 16की उपधारा (1) के अधीन विनिर्दिष्ट अर्हताएं पूरी करते हों।

(3)राष्ट्रीय खेल निर्वाचन पैनल का रोस्टर भारतीय साक्ष्य अधिनियम, 2023) 2023का (47की धारा 74के अर्थ में एक सार्वजनिक दस्तावेज होगा।

13. निर्वाचन अधिकारियों को देय फीस- प्रत्येक निर्वाचन के संबंध में, राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, निर्वाचन अधिकारी के साथ आपसी सहमति के आधार पर, फीरा के रूप में अधिकतम पाँच लाख

रुपए का भुगतान करेगा, साथ ही ऐसे अधिकारी के सहायक के लिए पारस्परिक रूप से सहमत रकम की फीस, यदि कोई हो, का भी भुगतान करेगा।

**अध्याय 5**  
**एथलीट समितियां, नैतिकता समितियां और विवाद समाधान समितियां**

14. राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के उपनियमों में समितियों से संबंधित उपबंध- राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति के उपनियमों में एथलीट समिति, नैतिकता समिति और विवाद समाधान समिति के गठन, संचालन और प्रक्रियाओं से संबंधित उपबंध सम्मिलित होंगे, जो जो-

(क) अंतर्राष्ट्रीय चार्टर और कानूनों में बनाए गए दिशानिर्देशों का पालन करना; और

(ख) राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड द्वारा समय-समय पर विनिर्दिष्ट मॉडल दिशानिर्देशों या विनियमों द्वारा निर्देशित किया जाएगा।

15. राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियम में समितियों से जुड़े उपबंध- राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के अतिरिक्त, प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियम में एथलीट समिति, आचार शास्त्र समिति और विवाद समाधान समिति के गठन, प्रचालन और प्रक्रिया से संबंधित उपबंध सम्मिलित होंगे, जो जो-

(क) ऐसे दिशा-निर्देशों का अनुपालन करेंगे जैसा कि अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय चार्टर एवं विधियों में विनिर्दिष्ट किया जा सके;

(ख) राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति से अन्यथा राष्ट्रीय खेल निकायों के मामले में, दिशानिर्देश जो राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट की जा सकेगी, और

(ग) यदि खंड (क) और खंड (ख) के अधीन दिशानिर्देश उपलब्ध न हो, तो समय समय पर राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट यथास्थिति, माडल दिशानिर्देश या विनियमों द्वारा संचालित होंगे।

## अध्याय 6 क्षेत्रीय खेल संघ

16. क्षेत्रीय खेल महासंघों द्वारा संबद्धता बनाए रखी जाएगी- (1) प्रत्येक क्षेत्रीय खेल महासंघ को संबंधित अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय से अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मान्यता और संबद्धता प्राप्त होगी, जब तक कि किसी नामनिर्दिष्ट खेल का कोई अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय न हो।

(2) जहाँ एक ही खेल के लिए एक से अधिक अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय हैं या जहाँ एक से अधिक क्षेत्रीय खेल महासंघ मान्यता के लिए आवेदन करते हैं, राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड लिखित रूप में रिकार्ड किए जाने वाले कारणों के आधार पर संबद्धता और मान्यता के मामले पर निर्णय ले सकेगा।

## अध्याय 7 संबद्ध इकाइयाँ

17. संबद्ध इकाइयों का पंजीकरण- (1) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, अपनी संबद्ध इकाइयों में से प्रत्येक का राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ पंजीकरण सुगम बनाएगा और नीचे दी गई सूचना तथा दस्तावेज़ राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड द्वारा समय-समय पर विनिर्दिष्ट प्ररूप और रीति से प्रस्तुत किए जाएंगे:-

(क) ऐसी संबद्ध इकाई के संबंध में राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय द्वारा जारी संबद्धता प्रमाणपत्र की प्रति;

(ख) लागू विधियों के अधीन, जैसा भी मामला हो, एक सोसायटी, गैर-लाभकारी कंपनी या ट्रस्ट के रूप में पंजीकरण प्रमाणपत्र की प्रति;

(ग) संबद्ध इकाई के शासी निकाय के सभी सदस्यों के नाम और पदनाम, चाहे उन्हें किसी भी नाम से पुकारा जाए; और

(घ) कोई अन्य जानकारी, जैसा कि राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड द्वारा अधिनियम के अधीन अपने कार्यों का निर्वहन करने के प्रयोजनों के लिए विनिर्दिष्ट किया जाए।

(2) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की प्रत्येक संबद्ध इकाई उप-नियम (1) का अनुपालन सुनिश्चित करेगी और इसके अतिरिक्त अपनी प्रत्येक संबद्ध इकाई का राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड के साथ पंजीकरण सुनिश्चित करेगी तथा उप-नियम (1) के उपबंध प्रत्येक ऐसी इकाई पर यथावश्यक परिवर्तनों सहित लागू होंगे।

(3) राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड में रजिस्ट्रीकृत प्रत्येक सम्बद्ध इकाई को उपलब्ध कराई गई सूचना में किसी भी परिवर्तन की सूचना तीस दिन के भीतर बोर्ड को देनी होगी।

अध्याय 8  
प्रकीर्ण

18. प्रकीर्ण

(1) प्रत्येक राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय छह माह की अवधि के भीतर, अधिनियम के उपबंधों के अनुरूप अपने उपनियमों में संशोधन करेगा।

(2) केन्द्रीय सरकार, किसी राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय से आवेदन प्राप्त होने पर, इन नियमों के प्रारम्भ से बारह महीने की अवधि के लिए इन नियमों के उपबंधों में छूट दे सकेगी और ऐसी छूट के कारण लिखित में रिकार्ड किए जाएंगे।

अनुसूची I  
नियम 5 और 6 (देखें)

उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों के लिए पात्रता नियम

1. सामान्य योग्यता मानदंड - कोई भी व्यक्ति जो असाधारण योग्यता वाला खिलाड़ी बनना चाहता है, वह-

(क) भारतीय नागरिक होगा;

(ख) स्वस्थ मस्तिष्क का होगा;

(ग) पच्चीस वर्ष से कम आयु का नहीं होगा; और

(घ) सक्रिय खेल से सेवानिवृत्त हो गया हो और नियम 5 के उप-नियम (2) के अधीन आवेदन की तारीख से कम से कम एक वर्ष पहले किसी भी प्रतिस्पर्धी खेल कार्यक्रम में भाग न लिया हो, जो जिला, राज्य या भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व करने के लिए चयन किया जाता हो।

2. श्रेणी पात्रता मानदंड- (1) राष्ट्रीय ओलम्पिक समिति के उत्कृष्ट योग्यता सूचकांक वाले खिलाड़ियों में सम्मिलित होने के इच्छुक आवेदकों के मामले में, ऐसे आवेदक ने भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व करते हुए केवल ओलम्पिक अनुशासन में सुसंगत श्रेणी में उपलब्धि हासिल की हो।

(2) राष्ट्रीय पैरालम्पिक समिति की उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों में सम्मिलित होने के इच्छुक आवेदकों के मामले में, ऐसे आवेदक ने भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व करते हुए केवल पैरा-ओलम्पिक अनुशासन में सुसंगत श्रेणी में उपलब्धि हासिल की हो।

(3) राष्ट्रीय ओलम्पिक समिति या राष्ट्रीय पैरालम्पिक समिति के अतिरिक्त किसी अन्य राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उत्कृष्ट योग्यता सूची वाले खिलाड़ियों में समावेशन चाहने वाले आवेदकों के मामले में, श्रेणी 10 के मामले को छोड़कर, ऐसे

आवेदक ने राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय से संबंधित नामनिर्दिष्ट खेल में संबंधित श्रेणी में भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व करते हुए उपलब्धि हासिल की हो, जहां ऐसे आवेदक ने किसी विशेष राज्य का प्रतिनिधित्व किया हो।

(4) इस अनुसूची के प्रयोजनों के लिए,-

(क) नीचे दिए गए किसी भी स्तर में "ग्रीष्मकालीन ओलंपिक खेल", "शीतकालीन ओलंपिक खेल", "राष्ट्रमंडल खेल", "एशियाई खेल" और "एशियाई शीतकालीन खेल" के संबंध में "ग्रीष्मकालीन पैरालिंपिक खेल", "शीतकालीन पैरालिंपिक खेल", "पैरा इवेंट जो राष्ट्रमंडल खेलों का हिस्सा हैं", "पैरा-एशियाई खेल" और "पैरा-एशियाई खेलों का शीतकालीन संस्करण (यदि कोई हो)" पर आवश्यक परिवर्तनों के साथ लागू होगा;

(ख) "स्वीकृत" के संबंध में किसी सुसंगत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के तत्वाधान में, अनुमोदन और मंजूरी शक्ति के अधीन आयोजित किसी भी प्रतिस्पर्धी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रम या मैच को विनिर्दिष्ट करता है।

### श्रेणी 1

जिन आवेदकों ने ग्रीष्मकालीन ओलंपिक खेल या शीतकालीन ओलंपिक खेल में कम से कम एक स्वर्ण, रजत या कांस्य पदक जीता है, लेकिन यदि कोई पदक निरस्त हो जाता है, तो उन्हें इस श्रेणी के अधीन विशिष्ट योग्यता प्राप्त करने की अर्हता के लिए नहीं माना जाएगा।

### श्रेणी 2

ऐसे आवेदक जिन्होंने ग्रीष्मकालीन ओलंपिक खेल या शीतकालीन ओलंपिक खेल के दो या उससे अधीन संस्करण में भाग लिया हो।

### श्रेणी 3

ऐसे आवेदक जिन्होंने ग्रीष्मकालीन ओलंपिक खेल या शीतकालीन ओलंपिक खेल के कम से कम एक संस्करण में भाग लिया हो।

### श्रेणी 4

जिन आवेदकों को केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा मेजर ध्यानचंद खेल रत्न पुरस्कार या अर्जुन पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया गया है, लेकिन यदि कोई पुरस्कार रद्द कर दिया जाता है या वापस कर दिया जाता है, तो उसे इस श्रेणी के अधीन बहुत अच्छी योग्यता प्राप्त करने की अर्हता के लिए नहीं माना जाएगा।

### श्रेणी 5

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने विश्व चैम्पियनशिप या समकक्ष प्रतियोगिता में कम-से-कम एक स्वर्ण, रजत या कांस्य पदक या समकक्ष स्थान प्राप्त किया हो; परंतु यदि कोई पदक वापस ले लिया गया हो, तो उसे इस स्तर के अधीन उत्कृष्ट योग्यता प्राप्त करने की पात्रता के लिए नहीं माना जाएगा।

**श्रेणी 6**

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने राष्ट्रमंडल खेलों, एशियाई खेलों या एशियाई शीतकालीन खेलों में कम-से-कम एक स्वर्ण, रजत या कांस्य पदक या समकक्ष स्थान प्राप्त किया हो; परंतु यदि कोई पदक वापस ले लिया गया हो, तो उसे इस स्तर के अधीन उत्कृष्ट योग्यता प्राप्त करने की पात्रता के लिए नहीं माना जाएगा।

**श्रेणी 7**

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने एशियाई चैम्पियनशिप या समकक्ष प्रतियोगिता में कम-से-कम एक स्वर्ण, रजत या कांस्य पदक या समकक्ष स्थान प्राप्त किया हो; परंतु यदि कोई पदक वापस ले लिया गया हो, तो उसे इस स्तर के अधीन उत्कृष्ट योग्यता प्राप्त करने की पात्रता के लिए नहीं माना जाएगा।

**श्रेणी 8**

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने कम-से-कम पाँच स्वीकृत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्पर्धाओं (यदि व्यक्तिगत खेल हो) या पाँच स्वीकृत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मैचों (यदि टीम खेल हो) में भाग लिया हो।

**श्रेणी 9**

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने कम-से-कम एक स्वीकृत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्पर्धाओं (यदि व्यक्तिगत खेल हो) या एक स्वीकृत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मैच (यदि टीम खेल हो) में भाग लिया हो।

**श्रेणी 10**

वे आवेदक जिन्होंने राष्ट्रीय खेलों या राष्ट्रीय चैम्पियनशिप या समकक्ष प्रतियोगिता में कम-से-कम एक स्वर्ण, रजत या कांस्य पदक या समकक्ष स्थान प्राप्त किया हो।

## अनुसूची 2

(नियम 9 देखें)

### निर्वाचन नियम

#### 1. परिभाषाएँ और निर्वचन

(i) इन निर्वाचन नियमों में, जब तक संदर्भ अन्यथा अपेक्षित न हो,—

(क) “अभ्यर्थी” से कोई भी अभ्यर्थी जो किसी निर्वाचित पद के लिए निर्वाचन में भाग ले रहा हो, अभिप्रेत है;

(ख) “निर्वाचन” से किसी निर्वाचित पद के लिए इन निर्वाचन नियमों के अनुसार आयोजित किया गया निर्वाचन अभिप्रेत है;

(ग) “साधारण अधिवेशन” से किसी राष्ट्रीय खेल संस्था की महासभा के सभी सदस्यों की बैठक, जिसे उस राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के उपनियमों के अनुसार बुलाया और आयोजित किया गया हो अभिप्रेत है; और

(घ) “नामांकन” से वह प्रक्रिया जिसके माध्यम से कोई अभ्यर्थी इन निर्वाचन नियमों के अनुसार किसी निर्वाचित पद के लिए निर्वाचन में भाग लेने की अपनी रुचि औपचारिक रूप से प्रस्तुत करता है अभिप्रेत है।

(ii) इन निर्वाचन नियमों में प्रयुक्त कोई भी शब्द, जिसकी परिभाषा यहाँ नहीं दी गई है, उसका वही अर्थ होगा जो अधिनियम और नियमों में विनिर्दिष्ट किया गया हो।

#### 2. क्षेत्र और लागू होना

(i) ये निर्वाचन नियम राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के सभी निर्वाचनों पर लागू होंगे।

(ii) कोई भी अभ्यर्थी, मतदान सदस्य या निर्वाचन में अन्य प्रतिभागी अधिनियम तथा राष्ट्रीय खेल संस्था की आचार संहिता के अधीन होगा, यदि वह अन्यथा पहले से ही उसके अधीन बाध्य और अधीन न हो।

#### 3. निर्वाचन का संचालन

(i) निर्वाचन सामान्यतः राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की वार्षिक सामान्य बैठक में होंगे और जहाँ आवश्यक हो, विशेष रूप से बुलाई गई साधारण अधिवेशन में भी हो सकते हैं।

(ii) निर्वाचन सदैव गुप्त मतदान द्वारा किए जाएँगे।

#### 4. निर्वाचन अधिकारी

(i) निर्वाचन अधिकारी निर्वाचन से संबंधित प्रशासनिक प्रक्रिया की देखरेख के लिए उत्तरदायी होगा, जिसमें निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित हैं,—

(क) अधिनियम और इन नियमों का सही अनुप्रयोग सुनिश्चित करना;

(ख) इस अनुसूची के खंड 5 में प्रदत्त मॉडल कैलेंडर के अनुसार निर्वाचन के प्रत्येक चरण के लिए यथोचित समय-सीमा निर्धारित करना और उन समय-सीमाओं का कठोरता से पालन कराना;

(ग) प्रत्येक चरण के लिए उपयुक्त दस्तावेज़ और प्ररूप, जिनमें नामांकन प्ररूप और मतपत्र सम्मिलित हैं, निर्धारित करना और वितरित करना, तथा उनके उचित उपयोग को लागू एवं सत्यापित करना;

(घ) मतदान सदस्यों, अन्य सदस्यों, मीडिया और जनता को सूचना प्रदान करना;

(ङ) सरकारी निकायों या राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड तथा राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड द्वारा नियुक्त किसी भी पर्यवेक्षक के साथ संपर्क बनाए रखना;

(च) निर्वाचन से संबंधित सभी अधिसूचनाओं और प्ररूपों को राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, राष्ट्रीय खेल बोर्ड और युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय की आधिकारिक वेबसाइटों पर प्रकाशित कराना; और

(छ) निर्वाचन प्रक्रिया का सुचारू संचालन सुनिश्चित करने हेतु आवश्यक अन्य सभी कार्य करना।

(ii) निर्वाचन अधिकारी केवल व्यावहारिक आवश्यकता के कारण ही इस अनुसूची से संलग्न प्ररूपों में उपांतरित कर सकेगा, परंतु इस अनुसूची के सिद्धांतों का पालन सुनिश्चित किया जाए।

## 5. निर्वाचन की घोषणा और निर्वाचन सूची

(i) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी समिति, निर्वाचन अधिकारी के परामर्श से, अपनी कार्यकारी समिति के कार्यकाल की समाप्ति से कम-से-कम तीस दिन पूर्व निर्वाचन की घोषणा करेगी। यह घोषणा राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के संवैधानिक दस्तावेजों के सुसंगत उपबंधों के अनुसार होगा और संबंधित सामान्य बैठक की कार्यसूची में सम्मिलित किया जाएगा।

(ii) निर्वाचन की घोषणा में कम से कम निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित होगा:—

(क) निर्वाचन अधिकारी का नाम;

(ख) निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा नियम 10 के उप-नियम (6) के अनुसार तैयार और जारी की गई अंतिम निर्वाचन सूची, जो इन निर्वाचन नियमों में संलग्न प्ररूप 1 के अनुसार हो;

(ग) वे निर्वाचित पद जिन पर निर्वाचन होना है तथा उन पदों के लिए अभ्यर्थियों को प्रतिस्पर्धा करने हेतु आवश्यक पूर्व-शर्तें या योग्यताएँ;

(घ) इच्छुक अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा निर्वाचित पदों के लिए नामांकन दाखिल करने का आमंत्रण;

(ड) इच्छुक अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा प्रस्तुत किया जाने वाला नामांकन प्ररूप, जो इन निर्वाचन नियमों में संलग्न प्ररूप 2 के अनुसार होगा; और

(च) निर्वाचन कैलेंडर, जो नीचे उप-खंड (iii) में विनिर्दिष्ट मॉडल कैलेंडर के अनुसार होगा।

(iii) निर्वाचन अधिकारी निम्नलिखित मॉडल कैलेंडर के अनुसार निर्वाचन का संचालन करेगा:

विषय	दिवस
निर्वाचन की घोषणा, नामांकन के लिए आमंत्रण और अंतिम मतदाता सूची जारी करना	दिवस 1
नामांकन दाखिल करना	दिवस 8 से दिवस 10
प्राप्त नामांकनों की प्रारूप सूची की घोषणा	दिवस 10
नामांकित अभ्यर्थियों की प्रारूप सूची पर आपत्तियां	दिवस 11 से दिवस 14
नामांकित अभ्यर्थियों की प्रारूप सूची पर आपत्तियों की जांच और निपटान	दिवस 15 से दिवस 16
नामांकित अभ्यर्थियों की अंतिम सूची	दिवस 17
नामांकन वापस लेना	दिवस 18
निर्वाचन में हिस्सा लेने वाले अभ्यर्थियों की अंतिम सूची	दिवस 19
मतदान और परिणामों की घोषणा	दिवस 21

(i) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, केवल व्यावहारिक आवश्यकता के कारण, उपखंड (iii) में विनिर्दिष्ट मॉडल कैलेंडर में संशोधन कर सकेगा, परंतु निर्वाचन अधिकतम इक्कीस दिनों की अवधि के भीतर पूर्ण कर लिया जाए।

## 6. नामांकन

(i) किसी अभ्यर्थी का निर्वाचन हेतु नामांकन, निर्वाचन सूची में सम्मिलित व्यक्तियों द्वारा प्रस्तावित और अनुमोदित किया जाएगा।

(ii) प्रत्येक नामांकन पत्र, विनिर्दिष्ट समयसीमा के भीतर, अभ्यर्थी स्वयं व्यक्तिगत रूप से निर्वाचन अधिकारी को प्रस्तुत करेगा।

(iii) कोई भी सदस्य, एक ही निर्वाचित पद के लिए, प्रस्तावक अथवा अनुमोदक के रूप में, एक से अधिक अभ्यर्थी का नामांकन नहीं करेगा और यदि वह ऐसा करता है तो केवल प्रथम वैध नामांकन स्वीकार किया जाएगा तथा ऐसे सदस्य के अन्य सभी नामांकन शून्य एवं अप्रभावी माने जाएंगे।

(iv) किसी व्यक्ति को, एक बार उसके द्वारा अनुमोदित नामांकन पत्र निर्वाचन अधिकारी को प्रस्तुत कर दिए जाने के पश्चात, प्रस्तावक अथवा अनुमोदक के रूप में अपना नाम वापस लेने की अनुमति नहीं होगी।

(v) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, उसके द्वारा प्राप्त सभी नामांकनों की निर्वाचित पदवार सूची, इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप-3 के अनुसार तैयार करेगा।

## 7. नामांकन की संवीक्षा और अंतिम रूप

- (i) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, प्राप्त प्रत्येक नामांकन पत्र की संवीक्षा करेगा तथा अधिनियम, उसके अधीन बनाए गए नियमों और राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की उप-विधियों के अनुसार उसकी वैधता अथवा अन्यथा का निर्धारण करेगा।
- (ii) उपखंड (i) के अधीन नामांकन की संवीक्षा के दौरान, प्रत्येक अभ्यर्थियों अथवा उसके किसी प्राधिकृत प्रतिनिधि को उपस्थित रहने और उसी निर्वाचित पद के लिए अन्य अभ्यर्थियों के नामांकन के संबंध में आपत्ति उठाने का अधिकार होगा, जिसके लिए उसने अपना नामांकन प्रस्तुत किया है।
- (iii) नामांकन पत्रों की संवीक्षा के पश्चात, निर्वाचन अधिकारी वैध रूप से नामांकित अभ्यर्थियों की सूची इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप-4 के अनुसार तैयार करेगा।
- (iv) प्रत्येक अभ्यर्थियों, जिसका नामांकन जांच में वैध पाया गया है, निर्वाचन प्रारंभ होने से पूर्व अपनी उम्मीदवारी वापस लेने का अधिकार रखेगा, परंतु कि वह निर्वाचन अधिकारी को इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप-5 के अनुसार सूचना प्रदान करे, और यदि निर्वाचन अधिकारी ऐसी सूचना की वास्तविकता से संतुष्ट है तो वह वापसी की सूचना स्वीकार करेगा।
- (v) उम्मीदवारी वापस लेने की कोई भी सूचना अंतिम होगी और उसे निरस्त करने की अनुमति नहीं होगी।
- (vi) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, इन निर्वाचन नियमों के प्ररूप-6 के अनुसार, अंतिम रूप से निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों की सूची तैयार करेगा।
- (vii) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय, निर्वाचन अधिकारी के पर्यवेक्षण और प्रभार में, इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप-7 के अनुसार मतपत्र तैयार करेगा।
- (viii) मतपत्र स्पष्ट और सुपाठ्य रूप से मुद्रित किए जाएंगे तथा प्रत्येक निर्वाचित पद के लिए निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों के नाम अंग्रेजी वर्णमाला के क्रम में व्यवस्थित किए जाएंगे।

## 8. प्रचार संबंधी आचरण

- (i) निर्वाचन संबंधी प्रचार अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा निष्पक्ष रूप से तथा मौलिक नैतिक सिद्धांतों के प्रति सम्मान की भावना में किया जाएगा।
- (ii) अभ्यर्थी सभी प्रचार कार्य गरिमा एवं संयम के साथ करेंगे तथा अन्य अभ्यर्थियों, राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय और उसके सदस्यों के प्रति सम्मान बनाए रखेंगे।
- (iii) कोई भी अभ्यर्थी ऐसा मौखिक कथन, लिखित पाठ या किसी प्रकार का प्रस्तुतिकरण नहीं करेगा जो किसी अन्य अभ्यर्थी की छवि को क्षति पहुँचाने वाला हो अथवा उसे हानि पहुँचाने वाला हो; और यदि अन्य अभ्यर्थियों की आलोचना की जाती है तो वह केवल उनकी नीतियों, कार्यक्रमों, पूर्ववृत्त और कार्य तक सीमित होगी।
- (iv) कोई भी अभ्यर्थी अन्य अभ्यर्थी के विरुद्ध अप्रमाणित आरोपों या विकृतियों के आधार पर आलोचना नहीं करेगा और मत प्राप्त करने हेतु जाति या साम्प्रदायिक भावनाओं का इस्तेमाल नहीं किया जाएगा।

- (v) प्रत्येक अभ्यर्थी निर्वाचन सूची में सम्मिलित सदस्यों के समक्ष निर्वाचित पद हेतु अपनी योजनाएँ और विचार लिखित दस्तावेज़ के रूप में प्रस्तुत कर सकेगा, जिसे निर्वाचन अधिकारी इन निर्वाचन नियमों के उपखंड 4 (i) (छ) के अनुसार प्रकाशित करेगा।
- (vi) अभ्यर्थी निर्वाचन प्रचार में अत्यधिक व्यय से बचेंगे, यह मानते हुए कि ऐसा व्यय अभ्यर्थियों के बीच असमानता का कारक बन सकता है।
- (vii) किसी अभ्यर्थी का संप्रवर्तन किसी भी प्रकार के प्रचार से रहित होगा, जिसमें नवीन मीडिया या सामाजिक नेटवर्क का उपयोग भी सम्मिलित है; प्रचार की प्रक्रिया में किसी प्रकार की सार्वजनिक बैठक या सभा आयोजित नहीं की जाएगी; और किसी किसी अभ्यर्थी को लाभ या हानि पहुंचाने के लिए किसी पत्रकार अथवा मीडिया की सेवाओं का, चाहे निःशुल्क अथवा भुगतान के आधार पर, उपयोग नहीं किया जाएगा।
- (viii) सभी अभ्यर्थी "भ्रष्ट आचरण" की सभी गतिविधियों, जिनमें मतदाताओं को रिश्वत देना, मतदाताओं को डराना-धमकाना, अथवा मतदाताओं का प्रतिरूपण करना सम्मिलित है, से सावधानीपूर्वक बचेंगे।
- (ix) अभ्यर्थी किसी भी स्थिति में और किसी भी बहाने से, मतदाता सदस्यों को प्रत्यक्ष या अप्रत्यक्ष रूप से उपहार, दान, भेंट अथवा किसी भी प्रकार का लाभ नहीं देंगे।
- (x) वर्तमान कार्यकारी समिति का सदस्य यह सुनिश्चित करेगा कि उसके विरुद्ध कोई शिकायत का कारण उत्पन्न न हो कि उसने अपने आधिकारिक पद का उपयोग अपने निर्वाचन संबंधी प्रचार के लिए किया हो, और विशेष रूप से वह—
- (क) अपने प्रचार की प्रगति हेतु आधिकारिक परिवहन, जिसमें वाहन, मशीनरी और कार्मिक सम्मिलित हैं, का उपयोग नहीं करेगा;
- (ख) समाचारपत्रों और अन्य मीडिया में राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय अथवा उसके सदस्यों के व्यय पर कोई विज्ञापन जारी नहीं करेगा या निर्वाचनों के दौरान राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के आधिकारिक मीडिया चैनलों का दुरुपयोग नहीं करेगा;
- (ग) निर्वाचनों की घोषणा के समय से विवेकाधीन निधियों से कोई अनुदान या भुगतान स्वीकृत नहीं करेगा; तथा
- (घ) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के किसी भी सदस्य या उसके साझेदारों के प्रत्यक्ष या अप्रत्यक्ष लाभ हेतु किसी भी प्रकार का वचन या प्रतिज्ञा नहीं करेगा, चाहे उसका पालन किसी भी समय किया जाना हो।

## 9. निष्पक्षता और स्वतंत्रता

- (i) चूंकि मतदान गुप्त है, मतदान करने वाले सदस्य व्यक्तिगत रूप से अथवा सामूहिक रूप से, किसी भी रूप में सार्वजनिक रूप से यह घोषणा करने से प्रतिबंधित होंगे कि वे किसी अभ्यर्थियों को मतदान करेंगे या नहीं करेंगे।
- (ii) वर्तमान कार्यकारी समिति के सदस्य किसी भी प्रकार की सार्वजनिक घोषणा करने से विरत रहेंगे और किसी भी प्रकार से किसी अभ्यर्थियों का समर्थन नहीं करेंगे।

(iii) अभ्यर्थियों—

(क) किसी भी व्यक्ति से अनुदेश स्वीकार नहीं करेगा;

(ख) किसी तृतीय पक्षकार से प्रत्यक्ष या अप्रत्यक्ष सहायता, चाहे वह वित्तीय, भौतिक अथवा वस्तुरूप में हो, स्वीकार नहीं करेगा; तथा

(ग) किसी भी व्यक्ति को ऐसा कोई भी वचन नहीं देगा जो निर्वाचित पद के निर्णय या क्रियाओं की स्वतंत्रता को प्रभावित कर सकता हो।

(iv) राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी टीम और प्रशासन प्रत्येक समय निष्पक्षता का कड़ाई से पालन करेंगे, और किसी भी उम्मीदवारी के संबंध में राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय के प्रशासन या कर्मचारियों से किसी प्रकार का समर्थन या सेवा नहीं माँगी जाएगी।

#### 10. मतदान

(i) जहाँ किसी निर्वाचित पद अथवा निर्वाचित पदों की श्रेणी के लिए निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों की संख्या, भरे जाने वाले निर्वाचित पदों की संख्या के बराबर होगी, वहाँ ऐसे सभी अभ्यर्थियों उन निर्वाचित पदों पर बिना विरोध के सम्यक रूप से निर्वाचित माने जाएंगे और ऐसे निर्वाचित पद के लिए मतदान कराना आवश्यक नहीं होगा।

(ii) जहाँ किसी निर्वाचित पद अथवा निर्वाचित पदों की श्रेणी के लिए निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों की संख्या, भरे जाने वाले निर्वाचित पदों की संख्या से अधिक होगी, वहाँ शेष निर्वाचित पदों के लिए गुप्त मतदान द्वारा निर्वाचन कराया जाएगा।

(iii) मतदान में, निर्वाचन सूची में सम्मिलित सदस्य—

(क) प्रत्येक शेष निर्वाचित पद के लिए, जहाँ केवल एक पद भरा जाना है, एक मत देने के अधिकारी होंगे; और

(ख) जहाँ किसी निर्वाचित पद के लिए एक से अधिक पद भरे जाने हैं, वहाँ उतने ही मत देने के अधिकारी होंगे जितने पद भरे जाने हैं।

(iv) मतपत्रों में अभ्यर्थियों के नाम सम्मिलित होंगे और मतदाता केवल एक अभ्यर्थियों को चिन्हित करेगा।

(v) प्रत्येक मतदाता को, मतदान हेतु मतपत्र प्राप्त करने से पूर्व, निर्वाचन सूची की प्रमाणीकृत प्रति पर अपना हस्ताक्षर करना आवश्यक होगा।

(vi) उपखंड (i) की परिस्थिति को छोड़कर, सदैव गुप्त मतदान कराया जाएगा, चाहे अभ्यर्थियों की संख्या कितनी भी हो, और मत की गोपनीयता उस प्रक्रिया द्वारा सुनिश्चित की जाएगी जो मतदाता की निजता की गारंटी देती है; और निर्वाचन अधिकारी मतपत्रों का वितरण और गणना करेगा तथा यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए उत्तरदायी होगा कि प्रक्रिया उचित रूप से अभिलेखित की गई है।

(vii) मतदान सदस्य, जहाँ अपेक्षित हो, व्यक्तिगत रूप से मतदान करेंगे।

- (viii) मतदाता, मतदान केंद्र पर विशेष रूप से उपलब्ध कराए गए मतदान कक्ष में, गुप्त रूप से मतपत्र पर अपना मत दर्ज करेगा।
- (ix) मतदाता, अपने पसंदीदा अभ्यर्थियों के नाम के सामने टिक-चिह्न लगाकर मतपत्र पर अपना मत दर्ज करेगा, और यह टिक-चिह्न केवल उसी साधन (जैसे कि मुहर) द्वारा लगाया जाएगा जिसे निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा विशेष रूप से इस प्रयोजन हेतु उपलब्ध कराया गया है।
- (x) मतदाता द्वारा अंकित मतपत्र, निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा विशेष रूप से तैयार और सीलबंद मतपेटी में डाला जाएगा, जिसे मतदान केंद्र पर ऐसे प्रमुख स्थान पर रखा जाएगा कि वह मतदान केंद्र में उपस्थित सभी व्यक्तियों को निरंतर दृष्टिगोचर हो।
- (xi) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, निर्धारित समय पर मतदान को बंद करेगा, और यदि कोई मतदाता नियत समापन समय पर मतदान केंद्र पर उपस्थित है तो उसे मतदान करने का अधिकार होगा, भले ही मतदान की कार्यवाही को उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले खिलाड़ियों के लिए कुछ समय तक बढ़ाना पड़े।
- (xii) मतदान प्रारंभ होने से पूर्व निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा वितरित किए गए मतपत्रों की संख्या घोषित की जाएगी, और यदि मतदान में लौटाए गए मतपत्रों की संख्या वितरित किए गए मतपत्रों की संख्या के बराबर या उससे कम है तो निर्वाचन वैध घोषित किया जाएगा; किन्तु यदि मतदान में मिले मतपत्रों की संख्या वितरित किए गए मतपत्रों की संख्या से अधिक है तो मतदान अकृत और शून्य घोषित किया जाएगा तथा तुरंत पुनः मतदान कराया जाएगा।

## 11. मतगणना

- (i) निर्वाचन अधिकारी, मतदान प्रक्रिया पूर्ण होने के पश्चात् यथाशीघ्र, पदवार और प्रवर्गवार मतगणना प्रारंभ करेगा।
- (ii) प्रत्येक निर्वाचन लड़ने वाला अभ्यर्थियों एक प्राधिकृत प्रतिनिधि नामित कर सकता है, जिसे मतगणना स्थल पर उपस्थित रहने का अधिकार होगा; और ऐसे प्राधिकृत प्रतिनिधि के अतिरिक्त केवल निर्वाचन अधिकारी तथा राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की कार्यकारी अथवा प्रशासनिक टीम के वे सदस्य, जिन्हें निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा विशेष रूप से अनुमोदित किया गया हो, मतगणना में भाग ले सकेंगे।
- (iii) प्रत्येक मतपत्र, जिस पर मत अंकित किया गया है, उस अभ्यर्थियों के लिए एक मत माना जाएगा जिसके पक्ष में वह वैध रूप से अंकित किया गया है।
- (iv) निम्नलिखित मतपत्र अमान्य माने जाएंगे और निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा अस्वीकृत किए जाएंगे, अर्थात्—
- (क) वे मतपत्र जिन पर निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा परिभाषित आधिकारिक विशिष्ट चिह्न अंकित नहीं हैं;
- (ख) वे मतपत्र जिन पर अभ्यर्थियों के नामों के अतिरिक्त कोई अन्य शब्द अंकित हैं;
- (ग) वे मतपत्र जो अपठनीय हैं या विकृत कर दिए गए हैं;
- (घ) वे मतपत्र जिन पर पहचान संबंधी चिह्न अंकित हैं; तथा
- (ङ) वे मतपत्र जिनमें किसी विशेष मतदान में अनुमत संख्या से अधिक अभ्यर्थियों के लिए मत अंकित किए गए हैं।

(v) निर्वाचन अधिकारी प्रत्येक अमान्य मतपत्र के पीछे लाल स्याही से उसकी अमान्यता के कारण लिखेगा और हस्ताक्षर द्वारा पुष्टि करेगा।

(vi) प्रत्येक अभ्यर्थियों के लिए वैध रूप से डाले गए मतों की पदवार और जहाँ लागू हो प्रवर्गवार गणना की जाएगी तथा प्रत्येक अभ्यर्थियों के लिए डाले गए मतों को अवरोही क्रम में इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप - 8 के अनुसार अभिलेखित किया जाएगा।

(vii) इसके पश्चात निर्वाचन अधिकारी मतगणना का परिणाम निर्धारित करेगा और जिन अभ्यर्थियों ने उक्त अवरोही क्रम में, पदवार और जहाँ लागू हो प्रवर्गवार, अधिकतम संख्या में मत प्राप्त किए हैं, उतने अभ्यर्थियों को, जितने पद भरे जाने हैं, उन निर्वाचित पदों पर सम्यक रूप से निर्वाचित समझा जाएगा।

(viii) मतगणना पूर्ण और सत्यापित करने के पश्चात निर्वाचन अधिकारी, संकलित और गिने गए मतपत्रों को इस प्रयोजन हेतु निर्धारित लिफाफों में रखकर तत्काल सीलबंद करेगा, और राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय इन लिफाफों को सुरक्षित रखेगा तथा उन्हें कम से कम कार्यकारी समिति के तत्क्षण आगामी निर्वाचन के परिणाम की घोषणा तक, अथवा ऐसे निर्वाचन से संबंधित किसी भी न्यायिक कार्यवाही की लंबित अवधि तक, जो भी पश्चातवर्ती हो, संरक्षित रखेगा।

## 12. परिणामों की घोषणा

(i) जब मतगणना पूर्ण और सत्यापित हो जाएगी, तब निर्वाचन अधिकारी साधारण सभा में उन निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों के नाम घोषित करेगा जिन्हें निर्वाचन में निर्वाचित समझा जाएगा।

(ii) निर्वाचन के परिणाम इन निर्वाचन नियमों के साथ संलग्न प्ररूप - 9 के अनुसार घोषित किए जाएंगे तथा उनकी पूर्णता के चौबीस घंटे के भीतर राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की आधिकारिक वेबसाइट पर प्रकाशित किए जाएंगे।

(iii) यदि मतगणना के पश्चात किसी भी अभ्यर्थियों के बीच मतों की समानता पाई जाती है और एक मत की वृद्धि से उनमें से किसी अभ्यर्थियों को निर्वाचित घोषित किया जा सकता है, तो निर्वाचन अधिकारी तत्काल उन अभ्यर्थियों के बीच चिट्ठी डालकर निर्णय करेगा और ऐसा माना जाएगा कि जिस अभ्यर्थी के नाम चिट्ठी निकली है, उसे एक अतिरिक्त वोट मिला हो।

## 13. प्रतिबंध एवं शिकायतें

(i) अधिनियम, इन नियमों अथवा राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की उप-विधियों में आच्छादित न किए गए किसी भी निर्वाचन संबंधी प्रशासनिक विषय पर निर्णय निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा किया जाएगा।

(ii) यदि इन निर्वाचन नियमों का उल्लंघन होता है, तो निर्वाचन अधिकारी उसे राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की आचार समिति को संदर्भित कर सकेगा, जो संबंधित अभ्यर्थियों को—

(क) टिप्पणियाँ कर सकती है, जिन्हें सार्वजनिक किया जा सकता है; या

(ख) चेतावनी जारी कर सकती है, जो स्वतः राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय की आधिकारिक वेबसाइट पर सार्वजनिक की जाएगी।

(iii) यदि किसी अभ्यर्थी अथवा मतदान सदस्य को निर्वाचन के संचालन के संबंध में कोई विशिष्ट शिकायत या समस्या है, तो वह उसे निर्वाचन अधिकारी के संज्ञान में ला सकेगा।

(iv) इन नियमों के अधीन निर्वाचन अधिकारी का कोई भी निर्णय अंतिम और बाध्यकारी होगा, और निर्वाचन के संचालन अथवा परिणाम से संबंधित कोई भी याचिका केवल इस अनुसूची के अधीन निर्वाचन के संचालन से संबंधित उपबंधों के उल्लंघन तक सीमित होगी:

परंतु यह कि ऐसी कोई याचिका, किसी भी निर्वाचन के परिणाम की घोषणा से तीस दिनों की अवधि के पश्चात दाखिल नहीं की जाएगी।

### प्ररूप 1 — निर्वाचक नामावली

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] का निर्वाचन [तारीख अंतर्लिखित करें] को

संबद्ध इकाइयाँ			
क्र. सं.	संबद्ध इकाई का नाम	निर्वाचन प्रतिनिधि का नाम	
उत्कृष्ट गुणागुण वाले खिलाड़ी			
	नाम		
	नाम		
	नाम		

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

प्ररूप 2 — नामनिर्देशन प्ररूप

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] का निर्वाचन [तारीख अंतर्लिखित करें] को

.....(निर्वाचित पद का नाम)..... के निर्वाचित पद हेतु नामनिर्देशन प्ररूप

प्रति,

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[पता अंतर्लिखित करें]

हम उपर्युक्त उल्लिखित निर्वाचित पद के लिए श्री/श्रीमती/सुश्री..... (नाम और पता) का नामनिर्देशन करते हैं।

हमारे विवरण नीचे दिए गए हैं:

	नाम	प्रतिनिधित्व की गई संबद्ध इकाई का नाम (यदि प्रयोज्य हो)	निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं.	हस्ताक्षर
प्रस्तावक				
समर्थक				

मैं, अधोलिखित अभ्यर्थी, उपर्युक्त निर्वाचित पद के लिए अपने नामनिर्देशन पर अपनी सहमति देता/देती हूँ। इसके अतिरिक्त, मैं प्रमाणित और पुष्टि करता/करती हूँ कि—

(क) मैं [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] की उपविधियों के अनुसार उपर्युक्त निर्वाचित पद के लिए निर्वाचन लड़ने के लिए पात्र हूँ; तथा

(ख) मैं वर्तमान में कोई उपशमन अवधि नहीं भुगत रहा/रही हूँ, और न ही मुझे उपर्युक्त निर्वाचित पद के संबंध में कोई उपशमन अवधि भुगतने की आवश्यकता है या ऐसे निर्वाचित पद के लिए निर्वाचन लड़ने से वर्जित नहीं हूँ, जैसा कि [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] की उपविधियों, राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन अधिनियम, 2025 या राष्ट्रीय खेल शासन (राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय) नियम, 2025 या लागू विधि के अधीन है।

(ग) इस प्ररूप में संलग्न घोषणा में दी गई जानकारी मेरी पूरी जानकारी में सच्ची और ठीक है।

अभ्यर्थी का नाम \_\_\_\_\_

प्रतिनिधित्व की गई संबद्ध इकाई का नाम (यदि प्रयोज्य हो )

निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं. (यदि प्रयोज्य हो )

हस्ताक्षर \_\_\_\_\_

तारीख:

स्थान:

### प्ररूप 3 — प्राप्त नामनिर्देशनों की सूची

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें [तारीख अंतर्लिखित करें] का निर्वाचन [को

क्र. सं.	अभ्यर्थी का नाम और पता	निर्वाचित पद	प्रस्तावक का नाम और निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं.	समर्थक का नाम और निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं.

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

प्ररूप 4 — विधिमान्यतः नामनिर्देशित अभ्यर्थियों की सूची

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] का निर्वाचन [तारीख अंतर्लिखित करें] को

क्र. सं.	अभ्यर्थी का नाम और पता	निर्वाचित पद	प्रस्तावक का नाम और निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं.	समर्थक का नाम और निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं.

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

## प्ररूप 5 — वापसी की सूचना

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें] का निर्वाचन [तारीख अंतर्लिखित करें] को

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प्रति,

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम अंतर्लिखित करें]

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मैं, विधिमान्यतः नामनिर्देशित अभ्यर्थी, उपर्युक्त निर्वाचित पद के लिए अपनी अभ्यर्थिता वापस लेने की सूचना देता/देती हूँ।

अभ्यर्थी का नाम \_\_\_\_\_

प्रतिनिधित्व की गई संबद्ध इकाई का नाम (यदि प्रयोज्य हो)

निर्वाचक नामावली सूची में क्र. सं. (यदि प्रयोज्य हो)

हस्ताक्षर \_\_\_\_\_

तारीख:

स्थान:

प्ररूप 6 – निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों की सूची

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें] निर्वाचन की (तारीख लिखें)

क्रम संख्या	निर्वाचित पद	अभ्यर्थी का नाम	सम्बद्ध इकाई का नाम (यदि लागू हो)	निर्वाचन सूची में क्रम संख्या (यदि लागू हो)

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

तारीख:

स्थान :

## प्ररूप 7 – मतपत्र

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें] निर्वाचन की (तारीख लिखें)

निर्वाचित पद	अभ्यर्थी का नाम	(√) सही का चिन्ह लगाकर वोट करें

- 1) संबंधित निर्वाचित पद हेतु केवल एक (1) निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थी के नाम के सामने सही का चिन्ह लगाएँ।
- (2) किसी भी अभ्यर्थी के नाम के सामने (x) या अन्य कोई चिन्ह अथवा शब्द न लगाएँ, क्योंकि ऐसा करने से आपका मतपत्र अस्वीकृत हो जाएगा।
- (3) मतपत्र पर सही का चिन्ह केवल उसी लेखनी/साधन से लगाएँ जो निर्वाचन अधिकारी द्वारा इस उद्देश्य हेतु विशेष रूप से प्रदान किया गया है। किसी अन्य पेन, बॉल प्वाइंट पेन आदि से लगाए गया चिन्ह से आपका मतपत्र अस्वीकृत हो जाएगा।

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

प्ररूप 8 – मतगणना का परिणाम

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें] निर्वाचन की [तारीख]

पद का नाम	डाले गए कुल मत	कुल अस्वीकृत मत	अभ्यर्थी का नाम	डाले गए विधि मान्य मत
अध्यक्ष (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
माननीय सचिव (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
माननीय कोषाध्यक्ष (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ी ( संख्या लिखें )			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ी (नंबर लिखें)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [ राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

नाम:

पर्यवेक्षक (यदि उपस्थित हो)

## प्ररूप 9 – परिणामों की घोषणा

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

[राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें] निर्वाचन की [तारीख]

मैं, उपर्युक्त चुनावों का निर्वाचन अधिकारी, अधोलिखित अभ्यर्थियों को उनके नाम के सम्मुख उल्लिखित निर्वाचित पद पर विधिवत निर्वाचित घोषित करता/करती हूँ

चयनित पद	अभ्यर्थी का नाम
अध्यक्ष (1)	
माननीय सचिव (1)	
माननीय कोषाध्यक्ष (1)	
उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाले पुरुष खिलाड़ी ( संख्या लिखें )	
उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाली महिला खिलाड़ी (संख्या डालें)	

नाम:

निर्वाचन अधिकारी, [ राष्ट्रीय खेल निकाय का नाम लिखें]

तारीख:

स्थान:

नाम:

पर्यवेक्षक (यदि उपस्थित हो)

[फा. संख्या 12-12/2025-शासन-1]

कुणाल, संयुक्त सचिव

**MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS**

**(DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS )**

**NOTIFICATION**

**New Delhi, the , 2026**

**G.S.R. 18 (E).**— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clauses (a), (b), (c), (k), (m), (n) and (t) of sub-section (2) of section 31 of the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 (25 of 2025), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

**CHAPTER 1**

**PRELIMINARY**

**1. Short title and commencement.** — (1) These rules may be called the National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2026.

(2) These rules shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2. Definitions.** — (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, —

(a) “Act” means the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 (25 of 2025);

(b) “Central Government” shall mean the Department of the Central Government which has been allocated the subject matter of sports under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961;

(c) “Elected Post” means all posts on the Executive Committee, other than, —

(i) the posts reserved for representatives of the Athletes Committee under sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) under sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act; and

(ii) the posts to be occupied by *ex officio* members under sub-clause (iii) of clause (b) under sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act;

(d) “Election Rules” means the rules applicable to Elections to the Executive Committees as specified in Schedule II;

(e) “Electoral Officer” means the person notified under sub-section (1) of section 16 of the Act;

(f) “Executive Committee” means the committee constituted in every National Sports Body pursuant to clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act;

(g) “General Body” means the body constituted in every National Sports Body pursuant to clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act;

(h) “National Sports Board” means the Board established pursuant to section 5 of the Act;

(i) “Schedule” means the schedule annexed to these rules; and

(j) “Sportspersons of outstanding merit Eligibility Rules” means the eligibility rules for sportspersons of outstanding merit as specified in Schedule I.

(2) Words and expressions used in these rules and not defined herein but defined in the Act, shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

## CHAPTER 2

### SPORTSPERSONS OF OUTSTANDING MERIT

**3. Representation of sportspersons of outstanding merit in the General Body.** — (1) The General Body of each National Sports Body shall include, as voting members, at least four, or any other higher even number, of sportspersons of outstanding merit, of which fifty per cent. shall be male sportspersons of outstanding merit and fifty per cent. shall be female sportspersons of outstanding merit.

(2) The manner of election or nomination of sportspersons of outstanding merit under sub-rule (1) may be specified in the bye-laws of the relevant National Sports Body.

**4. Representation of sportspersons of outstanding merit in the Executive Committee.** — The sportspersons of outstanding merit to be included in the Executive Committee pursuant to sub-clause (i) of clause (b) to sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act, shall be elected to the Executive Committee in accordance with rule 9.

**5. Eligibility criteria and application.** — (1) The National Sports Body shall call for applications for persons to be considered as sportspersons of outstanding merit and such call for applications shall specify the General Eligibility Criteria and Tiered Eligibility Criteria as specified in Schedule I, pursuant to which the sportspersons of outstanding merit rosters shall be populated.

(2) Any person seeking to submit an application to be a sportsperson of outstanding merit shall satisfy the General Eligibility Criteria as specified in the Sportspersons of outstanding merit Eligibility Rules under Schedule I, and submit an application within a period of sixty days from the issuance of the call for applications, to the relevant National Sports Body, in such form and containing such information as may be specified by the relevant Executive Committee or in the bye-laws of such National Sports Body.

**6. Roster of sportspersons of outstanding merit.** — (1) On consideration of applications made under sub-rule (2) of rule 5, every National Sports Body shall prepare a roster of male sportspersons of outstanding merit and a roster of female sportspersons of outstanding merit, in respect of the designated sport concerning such body at least ninety days prior to the expiry of the term of such National Sports Body's incumbent Executive Committee.

(2) The roster of male sportspersons of outstanding merit and roster of female sportspersons of outstanding merit shall each include ten times the number of male sportspersons of outstanding merit or female sportspersons of outstanding merit, as the case may be, in the General Body of such National Sports Body.

(3) The National Sports Body shall adhere to the following procedure while populating the relevant sportspersons of outstanding merit roster, as applicable for male sportspersons of outstanding merit and female sportspersons of outstanding merit, namely :-

- (a) in the first instance, all applicants who satisfy the General Eligibility Criteria and Tier 1 of the Tiered Eligibility Criteria set forth in Schedule I, shall be included in the relevant sportspersons of outstanding merit roster;
- (b) in the event that the sportspersons of outstanding merit roster, pursuant to clause (a), cannot be populated to meet the threshold specified in sub-rule (2), the National Sports Body shall include such applicants who satisfy the General Eligibility Criteria and the Tiered Eligibility Criteria in the Tier level immediately following the level last considered, in a sequential manner, until the number of applicants included in the relevant sportspersons of outstanding merit roster satisfies such threshold;

- (c) where the number of sportspersons of outstanding merit, pursuant to the use of a particular Tier, exceeds the threshold specified in sub-rule (2), then the eldest applicant by age shall receive preference and priority in selection from among the group of candidates qualifying under such Tier; and
- (d) where the National Sports Body is unable to populate the relevant sportspersons of outstanding merit roster to meet the threshold specified under sub-rule (2) based on the steps under clauses (a) to (c), it may issue another call for applications in accordance with sub-rule (1) of rule 5 or frame and adopt additional tiered criteria for such sportspersons of outstanding merit roster, which shall be based on the principles used in Schedule I.
- (4) The sportspersons of outstanding merit rosters, as finalised in accordance with this rule, shall be published on the official website of the relevant National Sports Body and submitted to the National Sports Board.
- (5) Any person appearing on a sportspersons of outstanding merit roster shall be considered a sportsperson of outstanding merit in respect of such National Sports Body for the purposes of the Act and the rules thereunder.

### CHAPTER 3

#### GENERAL BODY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**7. Composition of the General Body.** — (1) The General Body of every National Sports Body shall have the following categories of members, namely:-

- (a) at least four sportspersons of outstanding merit;
- (b) *ex officio* members as specified in the bye-laws of the National Olympic Committee in the case of the National Olympic Committee;
- (c) in the case of the National Olympic Committee, representatives of each National Sports Federation registered as an affiliate unit with the National Sports Board;
- (d) in case of a National Sports Body other than the National Olympic Committee, representatives of each State level affiliate unit registered with the National Sports Board; and
- (e) any other category of persons as may be provided by the bye-laws of a National Sports Body, in accordance with the relevant International Charters and Statutes as issued by the International Olympic Committee, or as required by the relevant International Sports Body.

(2) The election or nomination of sportspersons of outstanding merit to the General Body, as specified under clause (a) of sub-rule (1), shall be undertaken at least seventy-five days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee of the relevant National Sports Body.

**8. Term of office and composition of the Executive Committee.** — (1) The term of office of an Executive Committee of each National Sports Body as determined by the bye-laws of the relevant body, shall not exceed four years.

(2) The bye-laws of a National Sports Body specifying its composition shall ensure that at least one of the sportspersons of outstanding merit on the Executive Committee and one of the representatives from the Athletes Committee on the Executive Committee, shall be a woman.

(3) Every National Sports Body may, through its bye-laws, reserve specific posts for women in the Executive Committee, to ensure compliance with the first proviso to clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Act.

**9. Procedure governing election to Executive Committee.** — (1) The election to all Elected Posts in the Executive Committee shall be conducted at least once every four years, in a fair and transparent manner and in accordance with the Election Rules in Schedule II.

(2) Unless otherwise specified in the International Charters and Statutes, the Executive Committee shall, by resolution, appoint an Electoral Officer from the National Sports Election Panel, at least sixty days prior to the expiry of such Executive Committee's term, for the preparation of the electoral roll and conduct of elections to the Executive Committee and to the Athletes Committee.

(3) The Executive Committee shall, in consultation with the Electoral Officer appointed under sub-rule (2), notify the date for elections, at least fifty days prior to the expiry of such Executive Committee's term.

(4) The Electoral Officer shall be responsible for ensuring smooth conduct of the elections to the Executive Committee of the National Sports Body in compliance with the Election Rules under Schedule II.

(5) The National Sports Body shall provide the requisite number of administrative staff as specified by the Electoral Officer to assist such officer to conduct the elections to the Executive Committee.

(6) The National Sports Body shall adhere to the timelines specified in these rules and as summarised below in order to conduct an election for its Executive Committee:

Rule/Clause	Event	Timeline
Rule 5(2)	Submission of application to be a sportsperson of outstanding merit	Within sixty days of the call for applications under sub-rule (1) of rule 5.
Rule 6(1)	Preparation of a roster of male sportspersons of outstanding merit and a roster of female sportspersons of outstanding merit	At least ninety days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.
Rule 7(2)	Election or nomination of sportspersons of outstanding merit to the General Body	At least seventy-five days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.
Rule 9(2)	Appointment of an Electoral Officer	At least sixty days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.
Rule 9(3)	Notification of election date	At least fifty days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.
Rule 10(5)	Preparation and release of draft electoral roll	At least forty-five days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.
Clause 5(i) of Schedule II	Call for elections, release of final electoral roll and invitation for nominations	At least thirty days prior to the expiry of the term of the incumbent Executive Committee.

**10. Election to the Executive Committee.** — (1) Unless otherwise specified in the International Charters and Statutes, any person who meets the eligibility criteria under sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Act and is not subject to disqualification under rule 11 may contest for election to the Executive Committee of a National Sports Body.

(2) Members of the General Body of the National Olympic Committee as specified under sub-rule (1) of rule 7, shall be eligible to vote for the election to its Executive Committee as specified below, namely:-

- every individual sportsperson of outstanding merit shall have one vote;
- every individual *ex officio* member shall have one vote;
- every National Sports Federation that is registered with the National Sports Board as an affiliate unit of the National Olympic Committee, shall have a maximum of two votes, to be exercised by separate individual representatives of such affiliate unit; and
- for any category of persons specified under clause (e) of sub-rule (1) of rule 7, one vote for each such person.

(3) Members of the General Body of a National Sports Body other than the National Olympic Committee, as specified under sub-rule (1) of rule 7, shall be eligible to vote for the election to its Executive Committee as specified below, namely:-

- (a) every individual sportsperson of outstanding merit shall have one vote;
  - (b) every State level affiliate unit of the National Sports Body that is registered with the National Sports Board, shall have a maximum of two votes, to be exercised by separate individual representatives of such affiliate unit; and
  - (c) for any category of persons specified under clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 7, one vote for each such person.
- (4) The electoral roll for an election to the Executive Committee shall consist of only such members or their representatives in the General Body of the relevant National Sports Body that have voting rights as per sub-rule (2) or sub-rule (3), as the case may be, and are not otherwise disqualified under the provisions of the Act or these rules.

(5) The draft electoral roll for the election shall be prepared and released by the Electoral Officer in consultation with the then current Executive Committee of the National Sports Body, at least forty-five days prior to the expiry of the term of such Executive Committee:

Provided that the Electoral Officer's decision shall be final and binding in respect of the inclusion or non-inclusion, as the case may be, of any person on the electoral roll.

(6) The Electoral Officer shall provide for at least seven days from the release of the draft electoral roll, to receive and respond to any objections regarding the composition of the final electoral roll.

**11. Disqualifications.** — (1) A person shall be disqualified from being a member of the General Body, or of any committee of a National Sports Body, and shall not be eligible for contesting for election to the Executive Committee or the Athletes Committee, if such person is-

- (a) declared insolvent under applicable law; or
- (b) subject to a conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction in India for an offence, followed by a sentence of imprisonment; or
- (c) subject to a ban from holding any such position by an order of the Ethics Committee of such National Sports Body:

Provided that the disqualification in respect of -

- (i) clause (a) shall be for the period of insolvency as applicable;
- (ii) clause (b) shall be for a period of one full term of the Executive Committee after the completion of such sentence; and
- (iii) clause (c) shall be for the duration of such ban.

(2) The bye-laws of a National Sports Body may provide that, in addition to the criteria specified under sub-rule (1), a person shall be disqualified from -

- (a) being a member of the General Body or of any committee of such National Sports Body, or shall not be eligible for contesting elections to the Executive Committee or the Athletes Committee, if such person is a member of any other National Sports Body other than the National Olympic Committee; and
- (b) being a member of the General Body or of any committee of such National Sports Body, where such person has not completed the cooling off period of one term after having held the position of President, Secretary General or Treasurer in any other National Sports Body.

## CHAPTER 4

### NATIONAL SPORTS ELECTION PANEL

**12. Roster of the National Sports Election Panel.** — (1) The National Sports Board shall maintain a roster of the National Sports Election Panel as notified under sub-section (1) of section 16 of the Act.

(2) The roster of the National Sports Election Panel shall at all times contain at least twenty members who satisfy the qualifications specified under sub-section (1) of Section 16 of the Act.

(3) The roster of the National Sports Election Panel shall be a public document within the meaning of section 74 of the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 (47 of 2023).

**13. Fees payable to Electoral Officers.** — In respect of each election, the National Sports Body shall, on the basis of mutual agreement with the Electoral Officer, pay a maximum amount of rupees five lakhs as fees, along with fees of a mutually agreed amount for an assistant to such officer, if any.

## CHAPTER 5

### ATHLETES COMMITTEES, ETHICS COMMITTEES AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEES

**14. Provisions concerning Committees in bye-laws of National Olympic Committee.** — The bye-laws of the National Olympic Committee shall include provisions concerning the constitution, operation and procedures of an Athletes Committee, an Ethics Committee and a Dispute Resolution Committee, which shall -

- (a) be in compliance with such guidelines as may be specified in the International Charters and Statutes; and
- (b) in the absence of guidelines under clause (a), be guided by the model guidelines or regulations that may be specified by the National Sports Board from time to time.

**15. Provisions concerning Committees in bye-laws of National Sports Bodies.** — The bye-laws of each National Sports Body, other than the National Olympic Committee, shall include provisions concerning the constitution, operation and procedures of an Athletes Committee, Ethics Committee, and Dispute Resolution Committee, which shall -

- (a) be in compliance with such guidelines as may be specified in the International Charters and Statutes;
- (b) in the case of National Sports Bodies other than the National Olympic Committee, such guidelines as may be specified by the National Olympic Committee; and
- (c) in the absence of guidelines under clauses (a) and (b), be guided by the model guidelines or regulations that may be specified by the National Sports Board from time to time.

## CHAPTER 6

### REGIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS

**16. Affiliation to be maintained by Regional Sports Federations.** — (1) Every Regional Sports Federation shall have an international recognition and affiliation of the concerned International Sports Body, unless a designated sport does not have an International Sports Body.

(2) Where there is more than one International Sports Body for the same sport, or where more than one Regional Sports Federation applies for recognition, the National Sports Board may take a decision on the matter of affiliation and recognition, based on reasons to be recorded in writing.

## CHAPTER 7 AFFILIATE UNITS

**17. Registration of affiliate units.** — (1) Every National Sports Body shall facilitate the registration of each of its affiliate units with the National Sports Board subject to submission of the information and documents as set forth below, and in such form and manner as be specified by the National Sports Board from time to time:-

- (a) copy of the certificate of affiliation issued by the National Sports Body in respect of such affiliate unit;
- (b) copy of certificate of registration as a society, not-for-profit company or trust, as the case may be, under applicable laws;
- (c) names and designations of all members of the governing body of the affiliate unit, by whatever name called; and
- (d) any other information, as may be specified by the National Sports Board for the purposes of discharging its functions under the Act.

(2) Every affiliate unit of a National Sports Body shall ensure compliance with sub-rule (1) and further ensure registration of each of its affiliate units, with the National Sports Board, and the provisions of sub-rule (1) shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to each such unit.

(3) Every affiliate unit registered with the National Sports Board shall communicate any change in the information provided to such Board within a period of thirty days of such change.

## CHAPTER 8 MISCELLANEOUS

### 18. Miscellaneous

(1) Every National Sports Body shall, within a period of six months, amend its bye-laws in conformity with the provisions of the Act.

(2) The Central Government may, on receipt of the application from a National Sports Body, relax the provisions of these rules for a period of twelve months from the commencement of these rules and reasons for such relaxation to be recorded in writing.

## SCHEDULE I

(See rules 5 and 6)

### SPORTSPERSONS OF OUTSTANDING MERIT ELIGIBILITY RULES

**1. General Eligibility Criteria.** — Any person seeking to be designated as a sportsperson of outstanding merit shall be -

- (a) an Indian citizen;
- (b) of sound mind;
- (c) not less than twenty-five years of age; and
- (d) retired from active sports and should have not participated in any competitive sport event which leads to selection to represent a district, State or India for at least one year prior to date of application under sub-rule (2) of rule 5.

**2. Tier Eligibility Criteria.** — (1) In case of applicants seeking inclusion to the sportspersons of outstanding merit roster of the National Olympic Committee, such applicant shall have achieved the milestone in the relevant Tier in an Olympic discipline only, while representing India.

(2) In case of applicants seeking inclusion to the sportspersons of outstanding merit roster of the National Paralympic Committee, such applicant shall have achieved the milestone in the relevant Tier in a Para-Olympic discipline only, while representing India.

(3) In case of applicants seeking inclusion to the sportspersons of outstanding merit rosters of any National Sports Body other than the National Olympic Committee or the National Paralympic Committee, such applicant shall have achieved the milestone in the relevant Tier in the designated sport concerning the National Sports Body only, while representing India, except in the case of Tier 10, where such applicant shall have represented a particular State.

(4) For the purposes of this Schedule, —

- (a) References to “Summer Olympic Games”, “Winter Olympic Games”, “Commonwealth Games”, “Asian Games” and “Asian Winter Games” in any of the Tiers below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to “Summer Paralympic Games”, “Winter Paralympic Games”, “Para events that form a part of the Commonwealth Games”, “Para-Asian Games” and “Winter edition of the Para-Asian Games (if any)”;
- (b) References to “sanctioned” refers to any competitive international event or match organised under the auspices, approval and sanctioning power of a relevant International Sports Body.

#### Tier 1

Applicants who have won at least one of any gold, silver or bronze medal in the Summer Olympic Games or Winter Olympic Games, provided that any medal if rescinded, shall not be considered for the qualification of having achieved outstanding merit, under this Tier.

#### Tier 2

Applicants who have participated in two or more editions of the Summer Olympic Games or Winter Olympic Games.

**Tier 3**

Applicants who have participated in at least one edition of the Summer Olympic Games or Winter Olympic Games.

**Tier 4**

Applicants who have been awarded a Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award or an Arjuna Award by the Central Government, provided that any award if rescinded or returned, shall not be considered for the qualification of having achieved outstanding merit, under this Tier.

**Tier 5**

Applicants who have won at least one of any gold, silver or bronze medal or equivalent placing, in a World Championship or equivalent competition, provided that any medal if rescinded, shall not be considered for the qualification of having achieved outstanding merit, under this Tier.

**Tier 6**

Applicants who have won at least one of any gold, silver or bronze medal or equivalent placing, in the Commonwealth Games or Asian Games or Asian Winter Games, provided that any medal if rescinded, shall not be considered for the qualification of having achieved outstanding merit, under this Tier.

**Tier 7**

Applicants who have won at least one of any gold, silver or bronze medal or equivalent placing, in an Asian Championship or equivalent competition, provided that any medal if rescinded, shall not be considered for the qualification of having achieved outstanding merit, under this Tier.

**Tier 8**

Applicants who have participated in at least five sanctioned international events (if individual sport) or five sanctioned international matches (if team sport).

**Tier 9**

Applicants who have participated in at least one sanctioned international event (if individual sport) or one sanctioned international match (if team sport).

**Tier 10**

Applicants who have who have won at least one of any gold, silver or bronze medal or equivalent placing in the National Games or a National Championship or equivalent competition.

**SCHEDULE II***(See rule 9)***ELECTION RULES****1. Definitions and Interpretation**

- (i) In these Election Rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
- (a) “candidate” shall mean any candidate contesting for Election to an Elected Post;
  - (b) “election” shall mean an election conducted in accordance with these Election Rules for an Elected Post;
  - (c) “general meeting” shall mean a meeting of all members of the General Body of a National Sports Body, that is called and conducted in accordance with such National Sports Body’s bye-laws; and
  - (d) “nomination” shall mean the process through which a candidate formally submits such candidate’s interest to contest for an Election to an Elected Post in accordance with these Election Rules.
- (ii) Any terms used in these Election Rules but not defined herein, shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Act and the Rules.

**2. Scope and Applicability**

- (i) These Election Rules apply to all Elections in the National Sports Body.
- (ii) Any candidate, voting member or other participant in the election shall also be subject to the Act, and the National Sports Body’s Code of Ethics if he is not otherwise already bound and covered by the same.

**3. Conduct of Elections**

- (i) Elections shall generally take place at the Annual General Meeting of the National Sports Body and, where so required may also take place at a specially convened general meeting.
- (ii) Elections shall always be by secret ballot.

**4. Electoral Officer**

- (i) The Electoral Officer shall be responsible for supervising the administrative process relating to the elections, including,-
  - (a) ensuring the correct application of the Act, and these rules;
  - (b) setting reasonable deadlines for each stage of the elections in accordance with the model calendar provided under clause 5 of this Schedule, and enforcing such deadlines strictly;
  - (c) determining and distributing the appropriate documentation and forms, including nomination forms and ballot papers, for each stage of the elections and enforcing and verifying their proper use;
  - (d) distributing information to voting members, other members, the media and public;
  - (e) managing relations with government bodies or the National Sports Board and any observers as deputed by the National Sports Board;
  - (f) causing the publication of all notifications and forms concerning the elections on the official websites of the National Sports Body, the National Sports Board and the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports; and
  - (g) all other tasks necessary to ensure the smooth running of the electoral process.

- (ii) The Electoral Officer may, only for reasons of practical necessity, modify the forms appended to this Schedule, while ensuring that the principles of this Schedule are adhered to.

### 5. Calling elections and the electoral roll

- (i) Elections shall be called by the National Sports Body's Executive Committee in consultation with the Electoral Officer, at least thirty days prior to the expiry of such Executive Committee's term, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the National Sports Body's constitutional documents and shall be included in the agenda of the applicable general meeting.
- (ii) The call for elections shall contain, at a minimum, the following:
- the name of the Electoral Officer;
  - the final electoral roll prepared and released by the Electoral Officer pursuant to sub-rule (6) of rule 10 and in accordance with **Form 1** appended to these Election Rules.
  - the Elected Posts that are the subject of such Elections and any pre-requisites or qualifications for Candidates to contest such Elected Posts;
  - an invitation to file for nominations for Elected Posts by interested Candidates;
  - the nomination form to be submitted by interested Candidates which shall be in accordance with **Form 2** appended to these Election Rules; and
  - the electoral calendar which shall be in accordance with the model calendar specified in sub-clause (iii) below:
- (iii) The Electoral Officer shall conduct the Elections in accordance with the following model calendar:

Event	Day
Call for Elections, invitation for nominations and release of final electoral roll	Day 1
Filing of nominations	Day 8 to Day 10
Announcement of draft list of nominations received	Day 10
Objections to draft list of nominated candidates	Day 11 to Day 14
Scrutiny and disposal of objections to Draft list of nominated candidates	Day 15 to Day 16
Final list of nominated candidates	Day 17
Withdrawal of nominations	Day 18
Final list of contesting candidates	Day 19
Polling and announcement of results	Day 21

- (iv) The Electoral Officer may, only for reasons of practical necessity, modify the model calendar specified in sub-clause (iii), while ensuring that the elections are completed within a maximum period of twenty-one days.

### 6. Nominations

- The nomination of a candidate for election shall be proposed and seconded by persons on the electoral roll.
- Every nomination form shall be delivered to the Electoral Officer in person by the candidate himself within the deadline specified.
- No member shall nominate more than one candidate for the same Elected Post, either as proposer or seconder and, if he so does, only the first valid nomination shall be accepted, and all other nominations of such member, shall be deemed to be void and inoperative.
- No person shall be permitted to withdraw his name as proposer or seconder, once the nomination form endorsed by him has been delivered to the Electoral Officer.
- The Electoral Officer shall prepare a list of all nominations received by him, Elected Post-wise in accordance with **Form 3** appended to these Election Rules.

### 7. Scrutiny and Finalisation of Nominations

- (i) The Electoral Officer shall scrutinise each nomination form received by him and determine its validity or otherwise as per the Act, rules made thereunder, the National Sports Body's bye-laws.
- (ii) During the scrutiny of nominations under sub-clause (i), each Candidate or one of his authorised representatives shall have the right to be present and raise any objection in relation to nomination of another Candidate for the Elected Post for which he has filed his nomination.
- (iii) Pursuant to the scrutiny of nomination forms, the Electoral Officer shall prepare a list of validly nominated candidates in accordance with **Form 4** appended to these Election Rules.
- (iv) Every candidate whose nomination has been found valid on scrutiny shall be entitled to withdraw his candidature prior to the commencement of the Election by providing notice to the Electoral Officer in accordance with **Form 5** appended to these Election Rules, and the Electoral Officer shall accept the notice of withdrawal if he is satisfied as to the genuineness of such notice.
- (v) Any notice of withdrawal of candidature shall be final and shall not be allowed to be cancelled.
- (vi) The Electoral Officer shall prepare the final list of contesting candidates in accordance with **Form 6** of these Election Rules.
- (vii) The National Sports Body shall produce the ballot papers in accordance with **Form 7** appended to these Election Rules under the supervision and charge of the Electoral Officer.
- (viii) The ballot papers shall be printed clearly and legibly, and the names of the contesting candidates shall be arranged, for each Elected Post, in alphabetical order according to the english alphabet.

### 8. Campaign Practices

- (i) Electoral campaigns shall be carried out by the candidates in a fair manner and, in a spirit of respect for fundamental ethical principles.
- (ii) Candidates shall conduct all campaigns with dignity and moderation and with respect for any other candidates, the National Sports Body and its members.
- (iii) A Candidate shall not produce any spoken word, written text or representation of any nature likely to harm the image of another candidate or cause him prejudice, and criticism of other candidates, if made, shall be confined to their policies and programme, past record and work.
- (iv) No Candidate shall engage in criticism based on unverified allegations or distortion against any other Candidate, and there shall be no appeal to caste or communal feelings for securing votes.
- (v) Every Candidate may present to the members in the electoral roll, his plans and views for the Elected Post, in the form of a written document, which shall be published by the Electoral Officer in accordance with clause 4 (i) (g) of these Election Rules.
- (vi) Candidates shall avoid excessive expenditure in campaigning, recognising that it could become a factor of inequality amongst the candidates.
- (vii) The promotion of a candidate shall exclude any form of publicity, including the use of new media or social networks, and no public meeting or gathering of any kind may be organised in the process of promoting a candidature, and no use, free of charge or in return for payment, of the services of a journalist or the media may be made in order to place a candidate at an advantage or a disadvantage.
- (viii) All candidates shall scrupulously avoid all activities that are "corrupt practices", including bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters.
- (ix) Candidates may, in no case and under no pretext, give presents, offer donations, gifts or grant advantages of whatever nature, directly or indirectly, to voting members.
- (x) The incumbent Executive Committee member, shall ensure that no cause is given for any complaint that they have used their official position for the purposes of their election campaign and in particular shall not -
- (a) use official transport including, vehicles, machinery and personnel for furtherance of their campaign;
  - (b) issue any advertisement at the cost of the National Sports Body or its members in the newspapers and other media or misuse the National Sports Body's official media channels during the elections;
  - (c) sanction grants or payments out of discretionary funds from the time elections are announced;
- and

- (d) enter into any promise or undertaking to be performed, whatever the timing of such performance, for the direct or indirect benefit of any of the National Sports Body's members or its partners.

### 9. Neutrality and Independence

- (i) As the voting is secret, voting members are prohibited individually or collectively, from announcing publicly, in any form whatsoever, their intention to vote or not vote for a candidate.
- (ii) Incumbent Executive Committee members shall refrain from making any public declaration and may in no way support a candidate.
- (iii) Candidates shall not -
- (a) accept instructions from any person;
  - (b) accept direct or indirect assistance, be it financial, material or in kind, by any third party, or
  - (c) enter into any form of undertaking with any person likely to affect the freedom of decision or action of the Elected Post.
- (iv) The National Sports Body's executive team and administration shall maintain a strict duty of neutrality at all times, and no support or service in relation to a candidature may be requested from any member of the National Sports Body's administration or staff.

### 10. Polling

- (i) Where the number of contesting candidates for any Elected Post or category of Elected Post is equal to the number of Elected Posts to be filled, all such contesting candidates shall be deemed to be duly elected unopposed to those Elected Posts, and it shall not be necessary to take a poll for election to such Elected Post.
- (ii) Where the number of contesting candidates for any Elected Post or category of Elected Post is more than the number of Elected Posts to be filled, a poll shall be taken by secret ballot for those Elected Posts remaining unfilled.
- (iii) At the poll, members who are in the electoral roll, shall be entitled to,-
- (a) cast one vote for each of the Elected Posts remaining unfilled, where only one such seat is to be filled; and
  - (b) cast as many votes as are the number of seats to be filled for an Elected Post, where more than one seat is to be filled.
- (iv) The ballot papers shall contain the name(s) of the Candidate(s), and the voters must mark one candidate only.
- (v) Every voter shall be required, before he is supplied with a ballot paper, to give his signature on the authenticated copy of the electoral roll for taking the poll.
- (vi) Except for the circumstance under sub-clause (i), a secret ballot shall always be conducted, regardless of how many candidates there are, and the secrecy of the ballot shall be guaranteed by the provision of a procedure ensuring privacy for the voter, and the Electoral Officer shall conduct the distribution and counting of the ballot papers and be responsible for ensuring that the process is properly documented.
- (vii) Voting members must vote in person where required.
- (viii) The voter shall record his vote on the ballot paper in secrecy in a voting compartment specially provided for the purpose at the polling station.
- (ix) The voter shall record his vote on the ballot paper by placing a tick mark against the name of the candidate of his choice, and the tick mark to indicate the vote shall be placed by the voter only by means of an article (such as a stamp) specifically provided for the purpose by the Electoral Officer.
- (x) The ballot paper marked by a voter shall be deposited by him in a ballot box specially prepared and sealed by the Electoral Officer and placed at such a conspicuous place in the polling station that it shall be constantly visible to all present in the polling station.
- (xi) The Electoral Officer shall close the poll at the designated time of closure, and such voters who are present at the polling station at the appointed closing hour, if any, shall be entitled to vote even if the poll proceedings have to be extended for sportspersons of outstanding merit more time.

- (xii) The number of ballot papers that have been distributed shall be announced by the Electoral Officer before the commencement of the voting, and if the number of ballot papers returned in the poll is equal to or less than the number of ballot papers distributed, the Election shall be declared valid, but if the number returned in the poll exceeds that of the ballot papers distributed, the vote shall be declared null and void and another poll shall be taken immediately.

### 11. Counting of Votes

- (i) The Electoral Officer shall take up the counting of votes, post-wise and category-wise, as soon as may be, after the polling process is complete.
- (ii) Every contesting candidate can nominate one authorised representative who shall be entitled to be present at the place of counting of votes, and other than such authorised representative, only the Electoral Officer and members of the National Sports Body's executive or administrative team, as specifically approved by the Electoral Officer, may take part in the count.
- (iii) Every ballot paper on which a vote has been recorded shall be treated as one vote for the candidate for whom it has been validly marked.
- (iv) The following ballot papers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected by the Electoral Officer, namely:-
- those that do not bear the official distinctive marks defined by the Electoral Officer;
  - those that bear any words other than the names of the candidates;
  - those that are illegible or have been defaced;
  - those that bear identifying marks; and
  - those that include votes for more candidates than permitted in a particular poll.
- (v) The Electoral Officer shall write on the back of any invalid ballot paper, in red, the reasons for its invalidity and confirm with a signature.
- (vi) The votes validly cast for each of the contesting candidates shall be counted post-wise, and category-wise where applicable, and recorded in the descending order of the votes so cast for each candidate in accordance with **Form 8** appended to these Election Rules.
- (vii) The Electoral Officer shall thereafter ascertain the result of counting and the candidates who have secured the maximum number of votes in the said descending order, post-wise and category wise, where applicable, equal to the number of seats to be filled for each Elected Post or category of Elected Posts, where applicable, shall be deemed to have been duly elected to those Elected Posts.
- (viii) After completing and verifying the count, the Electoral Officer shall put the ballot papers that have been collected and counted into envelopes intended for this purpose and seal them immediately, and the National Sports Body shall keep these envelopes and shall retain them atleast until the declaration of results of the immediately subsequent Election of the Executive Committee, or till the pendency of any legal proceedings relating to such Elections, whichever is later.

### 12. Declaration of Results

- (i) Once the count has been completed and verified, the names of contesting candidates who shall be deemed to have been elected at the Elections shall be declared by the Electoral Officer at the general meeting.
- (ii) The results of the election shall be declared in accordance with **Form 9** appended to these Election Rules, and published on the National Sports Body's official website within twenty-four hours of completion thereof.
- (iii) If, after the counting of the votes, an equality of votes is found to exist between any candidates, and the addition of one vote will entitle any of those candidates to be declared elected, the Electoral Officer shall forthwith decide between those candidates by lot, and proceed as if the candidate on whom the lot falls had received an additional vote.

### 13. Sanctions and Complaints

- (i) All administrative matters relating to any election not covered by the Act, these rules or the National Sports Body's bye-laws shall be ruled upon by the Electoral Officer.
- (ii) In the event of a breach of these Election Rules, the Electoral Officer may refer the same to the National Sports Body's Ethics Committee, who may make to the candidate in question:
- observations, which may be made public; or
  - issue a warning, which will be automatically made public on the National Sports Body's official website.
- (iii) If a candidate or a voting member has any specific complaint or problem regarding the conduct of elections he may bring the same to the notice of the Electoral Officer.
- (iv) Any decision by the Electoral Officer under these rules shall be final and binding, and any petition to the National Sports Tribunal relating to conduct or outcome of election shall be limited to only any violation of the provisions relating to the process of conduct of election under this Schedule:

*Provided that* no such petition may be filed after a period of thirty days from the declaration of results of any election.

### Form 1 – Electoral Roll

*[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

*[Insert Name of National Sports Body] Elections on [Insert Date]*

Affiliate Units			
Sl. No	Affiliate Unit Name	Election Representative Name	
Sportspersons of Outstanding Merit			
	Name		
	Name		
	Name		

Name:

Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

Date:

Place:

**Form 2 – Nomination Form***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body]* Elections on *[Insert Date]***NOMINATION FORM FOR****ELECTION AS \_\_\_\_\_ (NAME OF THE ELECTED POST)**

To

**The Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]****[Insert Address]*

We

nominate

Shri/Smt./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (name and address) for the above-mentioned Elected Post.

Our particulars are given below:-

	Name	Name of Affiliate Unit Represented (if applicable)	Sl. No in the Electoral Roll List	Signature
<b>Proposer</b>				
<b>Secunder</b>				

I, the candidate below named, do hereby give my assent to my nomination for the above Elected Post.

Further, I certify and confirm that-

- (a) I am eligible to contest for the above-mentioned Elected Post as per the bye-laws of *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*; and
- (b) I am not currently undergoing, and am not required to undergo any cooling off period in relation to the above mentioned Elected Post or barred from contesting for such Elected Post, as per the bye-laws of *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*, the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 or the National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2025 or under applicable law.
- (c) The information provided in the declaration appended to this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name of the Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Affiliate Unit Represented (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Sl.

No. in the Electoral Roll list (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

Place:

**Form 3 – List of Nominations Received**

*[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

*[Insert Name of National Sports Body]* Elections on *[Insert Date]*

Sl. No.	Name, and Address of Candidate	Elected Post	Name and Sl. No. in Electoral Roll List of Proposer	Name and Sl. No. in Electoral Roll List of Seconder

Name:

Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

Date:

Place:

**Form 4 – List of Validly Nominated Candidates***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body]* Elections on *[Insert Date]*

Sl. No.	Name, and Address of Candidate	Elected Post	Name and Sl. No. in Electoral Roll List of Proposer	Name and Sl. No. in Electoral Roll List of Secunder

Name:

Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

Date:

Place:

**Form 5 – Notice of Withdrawal***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body]* Elections on *[Insert Date]***NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATURE FOR ELECTION AS (NAME OF THE ELECTED POST)**

To

The Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*  
*[Insert Address]*

I, the validly nominated candidate, do hereby give my notice of withdrawal of candidature for the above Elected Post.

Name of the Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Affiliate Unit Represented (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Sl.

No. in the Electoral Roll list (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Place:

Date:

**Form 6 – List of Contesting Candidates***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body] Elections on [Insert Date]*

Sl. No.	Elected Post	Name of Candidate	Name of Affiliate Unit Represented (if applicable)	Sl. No. in Electoral Roll List (if applicable)

Name:

Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

Date:

Place:

**Form 7 – Ballot Paper***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body] Elections on [Insert Date]*

Elected Post	Name(s) of Candidate	Mark vote here by placing tick mark ( )

(1) Place a tick mark ( ) against the name of only one (1) contesting Candidate for the respective Elected Post.

- (2) DO NOT place any other mark like (x) or work against the name of any Candidate as that shall render your ballot paper liable for rejection.
- (3) Place a tick mark on the ballot paper with the article specially provided by the Electoral Officer for the purpose. Any ballot paper marker with any other pen, ball point pen, etc shall render your ballot paper liable for rejection.

Name:

Electoral Officer, [Insert Name of National Sports Body]

Date:

Place:

### Form 8 – Result of Counting of Votes

[Insert Name of National Sports Body]

[Insert Name of National Sports Body] Elections on [Insert Date]

Name of Post	Total Vote s Polled	Total Vote s Rejected	Name of Candidate	Valid Vote s Polled
President (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
Honorary Secretary (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
Honorary Treasurer (1)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
Male Sportsperson(s) of Outstanding Merit (Insert Number)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	
Female Sportsperson (s) of Outstanding Merit (Insert Number)			1.	
			2.	
			3.	

Name:

Electoral Officer, [Insert Name of National Sports Body]

Date:

Place:

Name:

Observer (if present)

**Form 9 – Declaration of Results***[Insert Name of National Sports Body]**[Insert Name of National Sports Body] Elections on [Insert Date]*

I, the Electoral Officer for the above elections, hereby declare the following candidates as duly elected to the Elected Post(s) mentioned against their name.

Elected Post	Name of Candidate
President (1)	
Honorary Secretary (1)	
Honorary Treasurer (1)	
Male Sportsperson(s) of Outstanding Merit (Insert Number)	
Female Sportsperson (s) of Outstanding Merit (Insert Number)	

Name:

Electoral Officer, *[Insert Name of National Sports Body]*

Date:

Place:

Name:

Observer (if present)

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