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


Hall No. 103, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi.  
Date: 29 September, 2025

**Subject: Revision of norms of assistance under the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations – engagement of Assistant Secretaries / Joint Secretaries- reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to head of 'Administrative Support' mentioned at S.No. 25 of the table under para 6 this Department's circular No.12-2/2020-SP.III dated 22.05.2025 regarding the revision of the norms of assistance under the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs) wherein, it was stated that the practice of appointment of Assistant Secretary and Joint Secretary shall be discontinued and their association with the NSFs shall be terminated without any form of re-employment/elected posts within the federation or its affiliated units for a cooling off period of 4 years.

2. This Ministry has received representations from NSFs and the concerned Assistant Secretaries regarding continuation of services of existing incumbents to the position of Assistant Secretary. Upon consideration of the matter, it has been decided that the existing incumbents presently serving as Assistant Secretaries/Joint Secretaries in the NSFs may continue to render their services, without any specified pay scale, as was being done earlier. They may be placed in such alternate positions as may be decided by the respective NSF, subject to the condition that the overall expenditure on administrative support in NSFs remains capped at 10% of the funding allocated under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, as agreed in the ACTC meetings.

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

  
(Tarun Pareek)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister (YA&S)
2. PS to Hon'ble MOS (YA&S)
3. PPS to Secy. Sports
4. All JS/DIR/DS/US in Deptt. of Sports
5. Dy Secretary (Finance), MYAS
6. PS to DG SAI
7. ED (Teams), SAI
8. CEO, TOPS, SAI
9. HOD, TAGG. SAI
10. ED (Finance), SAI
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