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

Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi
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To

President/Secretary General
Tug of War Federation of India,
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Subject: Restoration of Government recognition of Tug of War Federation of India as the National Sports Federation for promotion and development of sport of Tug of War in the country-reg.

Sir,

Tug of War Federation of India was given recognition by this Ministry as a National Sports Federation for the promotion and development of Tug of War sports in the country. The Government recognition of Tug of War Federation of India was not renewed after 2021. The request of Tug of War Federation of India for restoration of Government recognition to Tug of War Federation of India has been considered and it has been decided to restore the Government recognition to Tug of War Federation of India as a National Sports Federation with effect from date of issue of this letter for promotion and development of sport of Tug of War in the country, subject to the condition that Tug of War Federation of India continues to adhere to the provisions of the Sports Code and guidelines issued from time to time. The Federation is represented by the following office bearers:

S.No.	Name of the Office Bearer	Post
i.	Shri Hari Shankar Gupta	President
ii.	Shri Madan Mohan	Secretary General

2. The recognition of Government to Tug of War Federation of India 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 Model Election Guidelines issued by the Ministry. The various instructions issued by the Ministry, from time to time, including the age and tenure criteria, for holding the elective offices of the Federation shall be scrupulously followed.
- 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 of the Govt. Issued from time to time, for the conduct of national Championships, drawing of advance calendar for holding

National Championships, players' grievance system in the management of the federations, etc.


- f) The Federation shall have corresponding State/UT bodies affiliated to it in all the State/UTs in conformity with the provisions of the Sports Code.
- g) The Federation should also abide by the directions of the Government issued, if any, in the interest of promotion of Tug of War sports among its players or Public in general
- h) The recognition can be reviewed by the Govt. in case Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the Federation or its practices come into conflict with the Govt. Guidelines issued from time to time.
- i) The Ministry's Guidelines for selection procedure shall be followed by Tug of War Federation of India. The tournaments shall be held for Men & Women 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 may be withdrawn if:

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

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Yours faithfully,


12.12.2025

(Joginder Singh)

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
5. Under Secretaries, Department of Sports
6. Technical Director, NIC with the request to upload the letter on the website of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
7. CEO (TOPS), SAI/DDG (TEAMS), SAI

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