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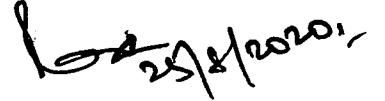
530-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001

Dated : 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2020

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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

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



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**Encl : As above.**

To

All Members of Council of Ministers

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1. All Secretaries to the Govt. of India's Ministries/Departments
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**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES/ DEVELOPMENT IN RESPECT OF DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, 2020.**

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

With the focus on the 2024 and 2028 Olympics, it has been decided that Foreign and Indian Coaches would now have a four-year contract in alignment with the Olympic cycle to ensure that Olympic-bound athletes are able to train consistently with one coach.

3. 'Fit Hai to Hit Hai India' program under Fit India Campaign was launched on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020 for school children. Under this program, a series of Fit India Talk Sessions for school children with top Sports Celebrities will be organized in association with MoHRD and SAI. These talks will be curated to make the whole conversation interesting and inspiring for the young children.

4. The Department has relaxed the admission criteria in NSNIS, Patiala for coaching courses by removing the mandatory eligibility criteria of athletes (i.e. applicant must have medal winning sports achievement in Senior World Championship at the time of entry into the institute) on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 so as to allow more Asian and Commonwealth medalists and participants of Senior World Championships to enroll for the course.

5. Two days Video Conference, with Ministers in-charge of Youth Affairs & Sports in the States/UTs, were successfully organized on July 14-15, 2020 to discuss views and suggestions and allow free exchange of ideas on various issues relating to development of sports in the country, among the participants.

6. The Secretary General of the Commonwealth lauded, at global Ministerial Forum on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, the Fit India Movement of India, terming the movement as a unique initiative to fight the pandemic.

7. The Department announced on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 via video conferencing that 4th edition of Khelo India Youth Games will be host by Haryana. The Games will be held in Panchkula in Haryana scheduled to be taken place after Tokyo Olympics in 2021.

8. Due to prevalent COVID-19 Pandemic in the country, no sports events either national or international were conducted since 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. On ground trainings/practices of the Athletes were also suspended since 18/03/2020. However, following other activities were carried out during the month of July, 2020 taking all precautionary measures enumerated in the SOP issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs from time to time:

- 06 National Camps were conducted from 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 to 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2020.
- An online training program was organized for Coaches for knowledge upgradation in "Strength and Conditioning" from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- A Special Reconversion and Revalidation Course for football Coaches of Sports Authority of India (SAI) in association with All India Football Federation (AIFF) was commenced since 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 through online webinar.
- Under Fit India Movement, various activities sessions such as Yoga Sessions, Nutrition Sessions, Physiotherapy Sessions, etc. were arranged for athletes through Zoom & other online mediums.

9. Besides, training of Olympics bound athletes has been started w.e.f. 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020 onwards at Dr. KSSR according to SOP laid down for COVID-19.