No.72-03/2024-SP-I Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Department of Sports

Hall No. 101, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. Date: 08.05.2025

To

The President/Secretary General, India Taekwondo, 403, Timmy Arcade, Makwana Rd., Near Marol Naka Metro Station, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059 e-mail: indiataekwondo2020@gmail.com

Subject: Recognition of India Taekwondo as the National Sports Federation (NSF) for promotion and development of sport of Taekwondo in the country - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to India Taekwondo's letters dated 23.11.2024 and 22.04.2025 requesting for Government recognition, and to say that the request has been considered in this Ministry taking into account the letter dated 09.04.2025 from World Taekwondo and letter dated 23.01.2025 from Asian Taekwondo Union, provided by the India Taekwondo, which confirm affiliation of India Taekwondo with these respective international and continental governing bodies for Taekwondo. Considering the factors in totality including the affiliation of India Taekwondo with World Taekwondo and Asian Taekwondo Union, as also to ensure participation of Indian taekwondo players in international events, including the forthcoming Asian Games 2026, it has been decided to grant recognition to India Taekwondo as a National Sports Federation (NSF) for the sport of Taekwondo', with immediate effect till conclusion of Asian Games, 2026 and Para Asian Games, 2026.

- 2. This recognition to India Taekwondo means granting a major role to the India Taekwondo for promotion and development of the Taekwondo sport in India.
- 3. The recognition of Government is subject to continued observance of the following terms and conditions as prescribed in the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 in a time-bound manner:-
- 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 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 accounting year should be from 1st April to 31stMarch. 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 Government 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 Federation, etc.
- f) The Federationshall 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 Taekwondo 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 India Taekwondo. 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 Public Information Officer and 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.
- l) India Taekwondo shall approach the India Olympic Association (IOA) to get its affiliation.

4. 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 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 mis-representation of facts;
- f)the concerned international Federation cancels affiliation or derecognizes or disaffiliates the Federation.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely,

(Surendra Yadav) Under Secretary to the Government of India

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- 1. Director General, Sports Authority of India
- 2. Director, Passenger Marketing, Traffic Commercial, Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi
- 3. Director/DS, SP-II, SP-III, SP-IV, SP-V, SP-VI, MDSD, CDN, Department of Sports
- 4. US(CDN)/ US(SP-II)/ US(SP-III)/ US(SP-IV)/ US(SP-V)/ US(SP-VI)/ US(MDSD)
- 5. Technical Director, NIC with the request to upload the letter on the website of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

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