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MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS
(Sports CDN Section)
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110001


Dated: 20th March, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Report to the Cabinet Secretariat about important developments in the Department of Sports- reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Cabinet Secretariat's OM No. 1/50/1/2017-Cab dated 4th February, 2022 on above mentioned subject and to enclose (**Annexure-I**) the Monthly Report pertaining to the Department of Sports for the month of **February, 2024** for information.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.


(Shantha Sharma)
Under Secretary (SP-CDN)
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Encl : As above.

To

All Members of Council of Ministers

Copy to:

- (i) All Secretaries to the Govt. of India's Ministries/Departments
- (ii) Director, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi

Monthly Report for the month of February, 2024

Name of the Ministry / Department: Department of Sports

1. Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

- a) The 4th edition of Khelo India University Games (KIUG), named as “Ashtalakshmi Games”, was jointly organized by Assam and the North-Eastern States between 19th and 29th February 2024. The Games witnessed the participation of over 4600 athletes from all the States/UTs. In the final medals Tally, Chandigarh University finished at the top with 71 medals (32 gold, 18 silver, 21 bronze).
- b) The 4th edition of the Khelo India Winter Games (KIWG) was organized in two phases, with the first phase hosted between 2nd and 6th February 2024 in Leh, Ladakh, for Ice Sports and, the second phase between 21st and 25th February 2024 in Gulmarg, J&K, for Snow Sports. A total of 650 athletes participated in the KIWG in 06 sports disciplines. The Indian Army team topped the medal tally with 21 medals (10 gold, 05 silver, 06 bronze), followed by Karnataka and Maharashtra. On the sidelines of the KIWG, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Sports Authority of India and the Department of Sports, UT Administration of Ladakh, for establishing a Khelo India Centre of Excellence in the UT.
- c) The first-ever Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Aquatics Championship was organized between 6th and 9th February in New Delhi. Around 300 athletes from the BIMSTEC member nations actively participated in the event, with India emerging as the overall champion.
- d) In a significant development, a Centre of Excellence for Nutritional Supplements Testing for Sportspersons (CoE-NSTS), established at the

National Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, was inaugurated on 9th February 2024. This centre will play an active role in ensuring that our athletes have access to standard nutritional supplements by enabling the testing of such supplements sold in the open market. This laboratory has been funded by this Ministry, and is the first of its kind in South Asia.

- e) As a key step towards digital transformation for sports development, disbursing merit certificates to athletes for their sporting achievements has been digitized and integrated with DigiLocker. All the National Sports Federations (NSFs) have been advocated to utilise this feature to ensure authenticity, transparency and accessibility of the sports certificates issued to the athletes.
- f) To commemorate India's success in hosting the biennial FIDE Chess Olympiad in 2022, the Torch for the Olympiad was passed to Hungary (the next host) at a handoff ceremony held in New Delhi on 14th February 2024. As a matter of pride for the country, India became the first-ever nation to host a torch relay for the FIDE Chess Olympiad in 2022 and, the torch for all subsequent editions of the Chess Olympiad will start its journey from India, the land where Chess originated.
- g) Various activities have been carried out under the Annual Capacity Building Plan by this Department. Under this initiative, a training session was organized for the officials on 26.02.2024, covering various key topics in sports including the History of sports, the Olympic Movement, major sports events, and the National Sports Development Code.
- h) The 121st, 122nd, 123rd and 124th Meetings of Mission Olympics Cell (MOC) were held on 01.02.2024, 08.02.2024, 15.02.2024 and 22.02.2024 respectively on various components of TOPS. Proposals from athletes from various sporting disciplines worth Rs. 2,01,26,085 were approved.

2. Important policy matter held up on account of prolonged inter-ministerial consultations:

Nil

3. No. of cases of 'sanction for prosecution' pending for more than three months:

Nil

4. Particulars of cases in which there has been a departure from the Transaction of Business Rules or established policy of the Government:

Nil

5. Status of ongoing Swachhta Abhiyan (progress under Special Campaign):

Following activities were conducted for the special campaign of Swachhta Abhiyan:

- a) The Swachhta Campaign is being actively implemented by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) and National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL) to integrate cleanliness as a part of the work culture. In February, a cleanliness drive was organized in the office premises of NADA and NDTL.
- b) As a part of the Swachhta campaign, cleanliness drives are organized at the Sports Authority of India (SAI) Headquarters and its Regional Centres with the active participation of the staff and athletes. Similar initiatives are also taken at the Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) for a clean and hygienic campus.

6. Status of Rationalization of Autonomous Bodies:

Does not arise in the case of D/o Sports as all the five Autonomous Bodies- SAI, LNIPE, National Sports University (NSU), NADA and NDTL have been set up for specific purposes.

7. Information on specific steps taken for utilization of the Space Technology based tools and applications in Governance and Development:

NIL

8. Vacancy position of senior level appointments in the Ministry/Department, including Autonomous Bodies/PSUs:

- a) There's no vacancy of senior level in Department of Sports (as on 29.02.2024).
- b) There are three vacancies in NDTL i.e. One post of Scientist-E, Scientist-D and Scientist-B each are vacant (as on 29.02.2024).
- c) There are two vacancies in NADA i.e. One post of Scientific Director and Senior Scientific Officer each are vacant (as on 29.02.2024).
- d) Vacancy position of senior posts in SAI is as per **Annexure- II.**
- e) Vacancy position of senior posts in LNIPE is as per **Annexure- III.**
- f) There are two vacancies in NSU i.e. Post of Vice Chancellor (VC) and one Associate Professor is vacant (as on 29.02.2024). However, officiating charge of VC has been given to Prof. Usha S. Nair.

9. List of cases in which ACC directions have not been complied with:

Nil

10. Details of FDI proposals cleared during the month and status of FDI proposals awaiting approval in the Ministry / Department:

Nil

Annexure-II

Vacancy position of senior level appointments in Sports Authority of India (SAI) as on 29.02.2024:

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Pay Scale	New Sanctioned Strength	Present Strength	Vacancy
1	DG	Level-15	01	01	00
2	Secretary	Level-14	01	01	00
3	Principal(LNCPE)	Level-14	01	01	00
4	DDG/ Sr ED	Level-14	04	04	00
5	Executive Director	Level-13A	07	06	01
6	High Performance Coach	Level-13	50*	16	34
7	Dean (SS/ Academics)	Level-13	02	01	01
8	CVO	Level-12	01	01	00

*Only 39 posts can be filled as per recruitment plan to achieve the financial neutrality

Annexure-III

Vacancy position of senior level appointments in Laxmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) as on 29.02.2024:

LNIPE, Gwalior:

S. No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength	Filled Up Posts	Vacant Posts
1	Vice Chancellor	01	00	01
2	Registrar	01	00	01
3	Finance Officer	01	00	01
4	Professor	05	02	03
5	Associate Professor	04	02	02
6	Assistant Professor	45	29	16
7	Librarian	01	00	01
8	Deputy Registrar	04	02	02
9	Assistant Registrar	04	00	04

LNIPE (North East Regional Centre), Guwahati:

S. No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength	Filled Up Posts	Vacant Posts
1	Professor	01	00	01
2	Associate Professor	01	01	00
3	Assistant Professor	11	09	02
4	Assistant Registrar	01	01	00