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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: 15th October, 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 **September, 2024** for information.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.



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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 September, 2024**Name of the Ministry / Department: Department of Sports****1. Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:**

- a) In September 2024, India made history by winning double gold medals at 45th FIDE Chess Olympiad in Budapest, Hungary, with both the men's and women's teams emerging victorious in their respective categories. The men's team, featuring top players like Gukesh D, Praggnanandhaa R, Arjun Erigaisi, and Vidit Gujrathi, dominated the competition, winning 10 out of 11 matches and securing the title with a final round victory over Slovenia. Gukesh D and Arjun Erigaisi won individual gold medals for their outstanding performances. The women's team, consisting of Harika Dronavalli, Vaishali R, Divya Deshmukh, Vantika Agrawal, and Tania Sachdev, also had a stellar run, defeating Azerbaijan in the final round despite earlier setbacks against Poland and the USA. Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi lauded India's young chess players for their historic achievement and the victorious teams were felicitated by the Hon'ble Minister in New Delhi later in the month, celebrating this remarkable achievement in Indian chess history.
- b) India hosted the 2nd Formal Meeting of the COP9 Bureau and the 3rd Formal Meeting of the Fund Approval Committee under the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport on 17th and 18th September 2024 in New Delhi. As Vice-Chairperson of the COP9 Bureau, India has taken the lead in organizing these high-level gatherings, which brought together key decision-makers and dignitaries from across the world. These high-level meetings advanced global collaboration in the fight against doping, with a focus on integrity, fairness, and inclusivity. Alongside these meetings, the 2nd edition of the "Inclusion Conclave" was also organized by National Anti Doping Agency (NADA), which explored ways to integrate all stakeholders, including athletes with disabilities, in the global anti-doping efforts.
- c) A significant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Sports Authority of India (SAI) and the Government of Maharashtra for the construction of a world-class sports complex in Mumbai. This long-delayed project gained momentum due to the initiative of Hon'ble Sports Minister Dr. Manshukh Mandaviya and the Maharashtra government. This sports complex is expected to boost the regional sports sector and provide emerging athletes with opportunities to compete in global sports tournaments.
- d) The Ministry has released the draft National Sports Policy (NSP) 2024 for public consultation. This policy aims to foster excellence in sports and transform sports into a mass movement across the country. It is designed to build a sports culture that encourages participation from all sections of society, nurturing talent and creating a strong foundation for future champions.
- e) India hosted the 44th General Assembly of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on 8th September 2024. The event brought together leaders and dignitaries from all 45 Asian countries, marking a significant moment for Asian sports ecosystem. This event underscored the collaborative spirit of the Olympic moment and reinforced Asia's commitment to nurture, expand its sporting legacy and inspire future generations.

- f) In line with the Government of India's vision of Swachh Bharat, the Swachhta Hi Seva (SHS) Campaign 2024 was launched in the Department of Sports and its organizations on 17th September 2024. As a part of this campaign, various activities were organized all across the country from 17th September to 2nd October 2024, involving citizens, communities, and organizations. The campaign culminated in the launch of the Fit India Swachhta Freedom Run 5.0 at Major Dhyan Chand Stadium on 2nd October 2024, along with events such as a Plog Run, Cleanliness Drive, and the felicitation of Safai Mitras.
- g) In September, 27 ASMITA women's league competitions were conducted in various sports disciplines such as Cycling, Swimming, Kho Kho, Hockey etc. in different parts of the Country. These leagues saw participation of more than 6600 women across the country.
- h) The National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) organized 16 Anti-Doping Education Awareness programmes across the country in September.
- i) India's athletes continue to make the nation proud across various sports:
 - Leading the charge, equestrian Fouaad Mirza clinched gold at the FEI CCI3-S event in Strzegom, Poland, defeating Tokyo 2020 gold medalist Julia Krajewski. This marked a significant achievement for Mirza, especially after missing out on Paris 2024.
 - In tennis, Vijay Sundar Prashanth and Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan secured victory in the ATP 250 Hangzhou Open Doubles, while Kamal Chawla triumphed with gold at the IBSF World Red Snooker Championships 2024. Indian women players Keerthana Pandian, Vidya Pillai, and Malkeet Singh also earned bronze.
 - The junior Indian shooting squad excelled at the ISSF Junior World Championship in Lima, Peru, clinching five more medals, including one gold on the final day, bringing their total to 13 gold, 3 silver, and 8 bronze medals, topping the medal tally.
 - At the WTT Youth Contender in Dammam, Saudi Arabia, Indian paddlers shone brightly, with Indian girls sweeping all podium spots in the U-19 and U-15 categories. The team claimed a total of 27 medals, including six gold, seven silver, and 14 bronze.
 - Neeraj Chopra delivered a stellar second-place finish at the Brussels Diamond League, and India's junior archery team also impressed, earning 19 medals at the Asian Youth Archery Championships 2024, with 16 of the medalists coming from the Khelo India Scheme.
- j) The 146th, 147th, 148th and 149th Meeting of Mission Olympics Cell (MOC) were held on 27.08.2024, 05.09.2024, 10.09.2024 and 13.09.2024 respectively on various components of Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). Deliberations were conducted on the way forward for next editions of Olympics and revision of Induction & weeding out criteria.
- k) Under KIRTI (Khelo India Rising Talent Identification) Programme of the Government, a total of 23,634 assessments were conducted in the month of September across 22 talent assessment Centres all over the country.

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) Special Swachhta campaigns are run on a regular basis at all Regional Centres of SAI and the Headquarters in Delhi.
- b) Under Swachhta Campaign, the office premises of NADA and NDTL including workstations, electrical and conference rooms were cleaned. The officials were encouraged to maintain the premises clean and hygienic.
- c) The Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) premises along with sports infrastructure and residential blocks were cleaned under the Swachhta Abhiyan. The cleaning campaign is organized every month.

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 at senior level in Department of Sports (as on 30.09.2024).
- b) There are three vacancies in NDTL i.e. One post of Scientist-E, Scientist-D and Scientist-B each are vacant (as on 30.09.2024).
- c) There are two vacancies in NADA i.e. One post each of Scientific Director and Senior Scientific Officer are vacant (as on 30.09.2024).
- 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 three vacancies in NSU i.e. Post of Vice Chancellor (VC), one Associate Professor and one Deputy Controller of Examinations are vacant (as on 30.09.2024). 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 30.09.2024:

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Pay Scale	New Sanctioned Strength	Present Strength	Vacancy
1	DG	Level-15	01	00	01
2	Secretary	Level-14	01	01	00
3	Principal(LNCPE)	Level-14	01	01	00
4	DDG/ Sr ED	Level-14	04	01	03
5	Executive Director	Level-13A	07	06	01
6	High Performance Coach	Level-13	50	25	25
7	Dean (SS/ Academics)	Level-13	02	00	02
8	CVO	Level-12	01	01	00

Annexure-III

Vacancy position of senior level appointments in Laxmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIPE) as on 30.09.2024:

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