



36th National Games, Gujarat 2022 Team/ Athletes – Allocation procedure and entry

Preamble

Qualification system is established by the Indian Olympic Association, which consists of criteria and procedures for entry, to participate in the competitions of the National Games. They are established to give opportunity for the best athletes in the country to participate in the Games. At the same time, there are invitational places granted to select members units of the Indian Olympic Association to ensure representation in the Games.

1. Qualification Criteria

The qualification criteria based on merit was decided for different sports and informed to the National Sports Federations. It is appended again herewith this notification for reference.

2. Host State Quota

The host State/ Gujarat is eligible to participate in all competition events of the 36th National Games. National Sports Federations are required to note that the host State quota/ Quota of Gujarat is included in the qualification criteria; i.e. top 8 teams = 7 teams +1 host State team/ top 8 athletes = 7 athletes + 1 host State athlete / top 16 athletes = 14 or 15 athletes + 1 or 2 host State athletes.

In the instance where a team/ athlete from Gujarat is among the top 8 teams/ top 8 athletes/ top 16 athletes in the previous National Championship or qualifying event, then without making exception for host State quota, all eligible teams/ athletes according to the criteria participate in the Games.

3. Exception for Athletes in the Commonwealth Games, Birmingham 2022

If any of the athletes representing India in the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games had missed attending the last National Championship or qualifying event of the 36th National Games, there is exception granted to include the participation of such athletes in the 36th National Games, Gujarat 2022. The National Sports Federations are requested to inform IOA about the same on or before 10th August, 2022. Correspondence in this regard should be sent with the subject title as in clause 3, "Gujarat National Games - Exception for Athletes in the Commonwealth Games, Birmingham 2022"

4. Invitational Places (Wild Card)

Universality in participation is respected in all editions of the National Games. If any of the State/ UTs have no representation as per clauses 1 and 3 of the Athletes Allocation and Entry Procedures, then invitational places are granted for ensuring representation of such State/ UT in the Games. Only a maximum of two (2) athletes per State/ UT will be granted invitational places for participating in the Games. The sport that only necessitates individual participation will be chosen considering the development of sports in the State/ UT. For example, if Nagaland is not represented in any of the 36 sports as per clauses 1 and 3 of the Athletes Allocation and Entry Procedures, then two (2) invitational places will be granted to the Nagaland Olympic Association. It is reiterated that the provision of invitational places is not applicable to all sports.

5. Domicile

5.1 An athlete can represent the State/ UT where he/ she has their permanent residence/ domicile.

OR

5.2 The State/ UT in which he or she is working/ residing in the six (6) months preceding the Opening Ceremony of the National Games. Participation from any other State/ UT/ Unit shall disqualify the athlete from the Games.

6. Age

National Games is senior age-category competitions. The National Sports Federations may decide on minimum age, as per the regulations of the sport.

7. Nationality

Only Indian citizens will be eligible to participate in the National Games. For clarification, it is noted that Indians with PIO Card shall not be eligible.

8. Process of Entry

8.1 The National Sports Federations shall inform the IOA in advance about the eligibility of athletes by name/ teams by unit and verify the same on the portal after submission of entries.

8.2 The entry of athletes/ teams by name and details shall be made through the portal by the State/ UT Olympic Association affiliated with the IOA. Services Sports Control Board being an affiliate member of the IOA (without voting rights) also has rights for entry and participation in the National Games. It is to be noted that separate guidelines will be issued in consultation with the Legal Department where there are issues regarding the governance of the State/ UT Olympic Association.

9. Team Officials

Team Officials shall be 25% of the overall athletes in a State/ UT Team, including a Chef de Mission, a minimum of one coach per sports discipline, and other support staff.

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