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New Delhi- 110003
26.12.2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Minutes of the meeting held on 20th December, 2016 to discuss the modalities of holding the 1st Himalayan Region Sports Festival (HRSF) in Guwahati.

The undersigned is directed to enclose approved minutes of the meeting held on 20.12.2016 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Sports), MYAS, to discuss the modalities of holding the 1st Himalayan Region Sports Festival (HRSF) in Guwahati, for information and further appropriate action.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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To,

- i. Shri N. Ramachandran, President, Indian Olympic Association (IOA), Indian Olympic Association, Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110 016
- ii. Shri Rajeev Mehta, Secretary General, Indian Olympic Association (IOA), Indian Olympic Association, Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110 016
- iii. Shri Ajay Tewari, Commissioner & Secretary to Government of Assam, Sports & Youth Welfare Department, Assam Secretariat, P.O. -Assam Sachivalaya, Dispur, Guwahati-781006.
- iv. Secretary (SAI), Sports Authority of India, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex (East Gate), Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003.

Copy to:-

- (i) Lt. General Rajiv Bhalla, CEO.
- (ii) PS to Hon'ble MOS (I/C) YA&S, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (iii) PS to Secretary (Sports), MYAS, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (iv) PS to Joint Secretary (Development) MYAS, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (v) PS to Joint Secretary (Sports) MYAS, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (vi) PS to Director (SPH), MYAS, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.



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Minutes of the meeting held in the Conference Room of Director General, Sports Authority of India (SAI), JN Stadium Sports Complex (East Gate), Lodi Road, New Delhi, on 20th December, 2016 at 1115 Hrs to discuss the details of modalities for organizing the 1st Himalayan Region Sports Festival (HRSF).

Secretary (Sports) chaired the meeting.

2. List of participants is annexed.

3. At the outset, Secretary (Sports) welcomed all the participants. Thereafter, he briefed the participants about background of the proposed event. He informed that initially, this event was envisaged as a Festival with a cultural dimension, with the intention of bringing together people hailing from remote, far-flung areas of the Himalayan region of the country. An international character was also given to the event by inviting Bhutan and Nepal to this event, thus strengthening cultural bonds. Accordingly, a scheme was prepared to roll out the event. As per this scheme the competitions would have a domestic leg and an international leg. As such, this event was not a part of the Olympic Movement. During later deliberations, however, it transpired that harnessing the power of the Olympic Movement for the event as it would give this event greater acceptance and help derive maximum benefit in terms of enhancing the stature of the event and making it more attractive. It was, therefore, decided that the event, which is to be held in Guwahati, maybe held on lines of the South Asian Games (SAG), where all stakeholders worked together like a family and delivered a very successful Games.

4. Secretary (Sports) requested President, IOA, to extend all support for successful conduct of the event. The President, IOA reiterated both support of the IOA as well as all National Sports Federations for all international sporting events to be held in the country and assured completed technical support for the same. Thereafter, specific details pertaining to conduct of the event were deliberated upon. The details of issues discussed and decisions taken are tabulated below:

S.No.	Issues discussed	Decision	Action
1.	Administrative Setup	<p>There will be 3 tier administrative setup as given below:-</p> <p>(i) General Council (GC) under the Chairmanship of MOS (I/C), YAS with Chief Minister of Assam as Co-Chairman which will be highest policy decision taking body.</p> <p>(ii) Organizing Committee (OC) under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Sports) YAS with President, IOA as Co-Chairman to steer the operational part of the event. Secretary General, IOA, will be member of the OC as well as alternate Co-chair. A Senior and experienced person will be engaged as Secretary General of the OC.</p> <p>(iii) Finance Committee (FC) under the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of OC which will handle all budgetary and financial matters under the supervision of the Secretary General.</p>	MD-SD

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2.	Venues and Dates	The event will be held at Guwahati between 15 th March, 2017 and 07 th April 2017. Final dates for actual conduct of the event will be finalized in consultation with State Govt. and will be communicated to IOA as well as participating National Federations shortly.	MD-SD
3.	Formation of Games Technical Conduct Committee (GTCC)	IOA will nominate the Chairman of GTCC and will communicate to Ministry urgently.	IOA
4.	Sports Disciplines and Events	Though eight sports disciplines have already been identified in the Scheme for conduct during the event, Sports Federations which are yet to be granted recognition due to their internal conflicts may be dissociated from the event. As a special case, Archery, which is extremely popular in the Himalayan Region, may be included. Accordingly, competitions will be organized in 08 Sports Disciplines namely Athletics, Archery, Boxing, Football, Judo, Squash, Weightlifting and Fencing. Events will be finalized as per discussions during the meeting. However, while finalizing the events, due care will be taken to include events which have ease of conduct and are low on resources.	Lt. Gen. Rajiv Bhalla, Adviser
5.	Participating Countries	Matter may be pursued with MEA to expedite advice on inclusion of Myanmar in the event. A view may also be taken to include Afghanistan in the event.	MD-SD
6.	Budget	Taking into account the budgetary constraint, in order to ensure economy in conduct of the event, the upper limit of budget will be Rs. 20 crore. Details of financial implications thereon to be worked out accordingly. A team of officers from the Department of Sports, assisted by a representative of the IOA may undertake a visit to the proposed venues and assess the requirements for venue development/overlays, etc., to firm up the financial requirements on these items.	MD-SD/ Lt. Gen. Rajiv Bhalla, Adviser

5. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.


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Annexure

List of participants who attended the meeting held on 20th December, 2016 at 1115 Hrs to discuss the details of modalities for organizing the 1st Himalayan Region Sports Festival (HRSF).

Indian Olympic Association.

- (i) Shri N. Ramachandran, President.
- (ii) Shri Rajeev Mehta, Secretary General.

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- (i) Lt. General, Rajiv Bhalla, CEO.
- (ii) Major General, Vivek Sehgal (Rtd.)

Fencing Association of India.

- (i) Ms. Rachna Sharma, Joint Secretary.

Sports Authority of India

- (i) Shri K.P.Sreejit, Project Officer
- (ii) Veerinder Pratap, Project Officer
- (iii) Dilip Kumar Singh, Project Officer
- (iv) P.C.Makholia, Project Officer
- (v) Naresh Mudgal, Project Officer
- (vi) Arun Raj Kumar, MOC

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

- i. Shri Onkar Kedia, Joint Secretary (Sports)
- ii. Shri Rajvir Singh, Joint Secretary (Development)
- iii. Dr. Sagar Preet Hooda, Director
- iv. Shri Arun Kumar Singh, Under Secretary (Sports Development)
- v. Shri Dhaja Singh, Project Officer (MD-SD)