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Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports
(SP.III Section)

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Subject: Revision of the scale of assistance under the Scheme of Assistance to National Sports Federation-reg.

The guidelines for Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs) were formulated in 2001 vide Order No.6-6/94-SP.III, dated 14.8.2001 with a view to providing financial assistance to the NSFs, recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. These guidelines also contained various instructions relating to functioning of NSFs, their recognition by the Ministry, good governance practices, anti-doping measures and categorization of sports disciplines, etc. The instructions were revised/amended from time to time. In the year 2011, the Ministry decided to amalgamate all the instructions into one comprehensive Code, viz. National Sports Development Code of India 2011, which came into effect from 31.1.2011.

2. Financial ceilings under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs were revised vide circular No.8-53/2010-SP.III, dated 10.6.2011. Since then, a lot of developments/changes have taken place and the entire sports eco-system has changed with the entry of a large number of corporate houses into the sports sector. These corporate houses are extending financial support to various sports activities such as holding of international tournaments, training of top athletes, organization of prize money events etc. Also, the Govt. has made provisions in the Companies Act, 2013 to enable the corporate houses to spend money from their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds for sports activities. Various sports activities such as training to promote rural sports, recognized sports, paralympic sports and Olympic sports have been included in Schedule 7 of the Companies Act, 2013. Therefore, NSFs are expected to approach the corporate houses for resources under the CSR rather than solely depending on Govt. funding.

3. In view of the aforesaid developments and significant investment that needs to be made to achieve excellence in sports, it is necessary that the NSFs do not look at the Govt. for funding of all their activities. The NSFs are required to raise their own resources as well to finance their operations. The financial support available under the Scheme is only supplemental in nature.

4. Keeping in view the above factors and with a view to catering to the changing needs of sportspersons, it has been decided to introduce certain new components and revise the financial assistance for various existing components, given by the Ministry to the recognized NSFs, under the Scheme of Assistance to the National Sports Federations with the following objectives:

- To ensure that NSFs organize important national and international sports events in the country.
- To ensure that sportspersons receive desired support through NSFs for training, competition exposure, sports science and sports medicine support, etc., required to achieve excellence.
- To help NSFs achieve professional competence in management of sports



- To streamline the flow of funds to NSFs.

The ultimate objective is to ensure that sportspersons from the country get the opportunities and environment to realize their full potential so that India can achieve its due place in sports in the comity of nations.

The norms for extending assistance under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs will be as follows

Sl. No.	Particulars	Norms
1.	National Championships	<p>The ceiling of assistance for organizing one National level Championship will be Rs. 5.00 lakh for seniors, Rs. 7.00 lakh for Juniors and Rs. 10.00 lakh for sub-juniors in a year.</p> <p>In case the NSF organizes the championship for men and women separately, 50% of the admissible grant will be sanctioned for each category.</p> <p>The assistance indicated above shall be utilized for provision of boarding & lodging. For this purpose, assistance up to Rs. 1000/- per head per day for 'A' class cities and up to Rs. 500/- per head per day at other venues will be admissible. The NSFs are expected to meet the expenses on other items from their own resources. These rates may be linked by MYAS/ SAI to CPI.</p> <p>The Federations shall take steps to ensure participation of all the affiliated units in the national level championships. In case less than 75% of the affiliated units participate, the scale of assistance will be reduced by 25% and no grant shall be provided in case less than 50% of the affiliated units participate. This condition would apply for males and females, separately</p> <p>Application for Financial Assistance for National Championships has to be sent by the NSF in the prescribed format to the Sports Authority of India (SAI) at least three months before the start of the championship.</p>
2.	Zonal Championships	No assistance to Zonal Championships.
3	Prestigious/traditional tournaments/events	Financial assistance up to a maximum of Rs 25 lakh per tournament will be given to the Organizers as grant-in-aid for organizing selected prestigious tournaments being conducted in India. These tournaments must have been at least 30 year old and held regularly with good participation of teams/players. To begin with, such assistance will be given for the Durand Cup and Subroto Cup in Football and Obaidullah Gold Cup and Bombay Gold Cup in Hockey. The list of tournaments meeting this criterion may be revised with the approval of the Union Sports Minister on the recommendation of an expert committee.

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4.	Number of core probable for major international events	The norm of 1:3 or 1:4. With approval of Secretary (Sports), sparring partners may also be permitted in addition, wherever necessary.
5.	Total no. of camp days	A limit of 300 days per discipline in a year
6.	Travel from place of stay to camp/competition & back	<p>Sr. Players, their coaches and other support-persons:- By Air (restricted to economy class) provided the journey is more than 500 Kms./10 hours. Else, restricted to AC II Train fare;</p> <p>Junior Players:- By Air (restricted to economy class) provided the journey is more than 1200 Kms./18 hours. Else, restricted to AC III Train fare; and</p> <p>Sub-Jr. Players: Restricted to AC III Train fare.</p> <p>For coaching camps/competitions organized in the North Eastern Region, economy class air fare may be given to all categories of athletes and officials including coaches and support personnel between Kolkata and the place of coaching/ competitions. The same facility will be given to those from the North East from their place of residence to Kolkata and back for coaching camps, competitions, etc. organized outside the North East. In such cases journey, beyond Kolkata will be as per above norms.</p>
7.	Boarding & Lodging, etc. for camps.	<p>The following rates shall be applicable both to SAI and permitted non-SAI Centers for Seniors, Juniors and sub-Juniors :</p> <p>In 'X' & 'Y' category Cities notified by Deptt. of Expenditure: Rs.1500 per person per day.</p> <p>Rest of India: Rs.1200 per person per day</p> <p>Transportation and Maintenance charges will be admissible as follows -</p> <p>(i) Local Transportation from place of stay to training venue and back on need basis as per actuals by public transport or shared taxis;</p> <p>(ii) Fuel & maintenance charges for the boats, motorcycles, escort vehicles etc. used by the coaches for training purposes on need basis as per actual;</p> <p>Diect charges :</p> <p>(i) Up to Rs. 650/- per athlete per day for senior sportspersons.</p> <p>(ii) Up to Rs. 450/- per athlete per day for Juniors & Sub-Junior sportspersons.</p>

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		<p>Supplement Charges –</p> <p>(i) Up to Rs. 700/- per athlete per day for heavy & middle weight power events. (ii) Up to Rs. 400/- per athlete per day for endurance, team, sprints and low weight power events. (iii) Up to Rs. 300/- per athlete per day for skill events.</p> <p>The above supplement charges are for senior category athletes. For Junior category athletes will be at least 25% less. There will not be any supplement for Sub-junior athletes.</p> <p>Diet, and nutritional supplement charges shall be inflation neutral and shall be revised every six months based on CPI after assessment by Sports Authority of India. Medical and bio-chemical assessment charges will be subject to review on annual basis.</p>
8.	Field of Play (FOP) charges for camps	<p>(a) Multipurpose Hall up to Rs.10,000/- per day.</p> <p>(b) Outdoor facility up to Rs.5000/- per day.</p>
9.	Sports kit for campers	<p>(a) General Sports Training Kit (Like Track Suits, T-Shirts, Shorts, Warm-up Shoes etc.)- Rs.10,000/- per athlete once a year for National Campers.</p> <p>(b) Discipline-specific Competition Kit such as Spikes, Hockey Goalkeeper Kit, Specific Shoes, Belts etc. considered under the consumable equipment category will be provided as per sports-specific requirements approved under ACTC/LTDP.</p>
10.	Medical Insurance for campers	<p>(i) Medical Insurance Policy - Rs. 5 Lakhs (ii) Personal Accident Policy (Disability/Death) – Rs. 25 Lakhs (iii) Specialized treatment of active elite sports-persons (who have represented India in International Competitions namely Asian Games, CWG, Asian Championships, CW Championships, world cups and world championships or equivalent to any of these) on case to case basis as per approval of Government of India.</p>
11.	Boarding, Lodging, Transportation, etc. for international tournaments held in India.	<p>Up to one sixth of the allocation under the Scheme may be earmarked for assisting NSFs for holding of international tournaments in India which are either ranking or mandatory or qualifying tournaments. An assistance of Rs. 30 lakh per tournament will be available for the purpose.</p> <p>The assistance can be utilized for any or all of the following items:</p>
12.	Rent of hall/playfield, consumables, certificates and medals	<p>Boarding, lodging and transportation Rent of playfields. Cost of consumable equipment. Certificates, medals and awards.</p>
13.	Prize Money	<p>Prize money.</p> <p>The application for financial assistance in prescribed format will have to be submitted at least three months before the date of the championship along-with details indicating the number of countries,</p>

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		players and officials expected to participate in the event. To be eligible for assistance, at least 10 countries and 100 athletes must participate in the tournament.																											
14.	Training and Competitions Abroad																												
(i)	Limit on number of days	Limit of 90 days in a year. Higher ceiling may be allowed in respect of specific sports disciplines with the approval of Secretary (Sports).																											
(ii)	Air travel for foreign training/competition exposures	Excursion/Economy airfare from residence/camp to the destination as per the extant instructions. Airport Tax, Visa/Medical Insurance/ other taxes/fecs/EBT of essential nature as per actuals. Local transport to be given if not provided by the organizers.																											
(iii)	Deputation of referees/ judges/ umpires	Technical officials to be deputed abroad on the basis of need and functional justification.																											
(iv)	Boarding and lodging entitlement abroad	Out of pocket allowance of USD 50 per day and boarding and lodging charges at the following rates will be allowed to all members of the contingent approved at full cost to the Government for approved number of days of training/competition plus two days before and one day after (excluding journey time). In deserving cases, additional number of days may be allowed before an event depending on factors like nature of a sports discipline and importance of the event with the approval of Secretary(Sports) : a) <u>When NSF is making its own arrangements</u> : Ceiling of USD 150 per person per day for boarding and lodging. b) <u>When the organizer is making arrangements for boarding and lodging on payment</u> : Rates indicated for twin sharing accommodation in the brochure issued by the organizers to be allowed for boarding and lodging subject to ceiling of ISD/USD per day.																											
(v)	Cost of transportation, hiring of equipment, infrastructure, consumables	For hiring of equipment locally, actual amount required may be given as advance. Cost towards hiring of horses along with their diet, boats/yachts etc. to be reimbursed.																											
15.	Support personnel	Support personnel like Masseurs, GTMT experts, doctors, etc. to be hired/ appointed by SAI as per requirement. Remuneration applicable as follows: - (Amount in Rs.)																											
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16.	Foreign coaches and High Performance Directors	<p>The Government of India may appoint foreign coaches with the approval of Union Minister in charge of sports and meet the expenditure on salary and other benefits as per contract. Wherever foreign coaches are training sportspersons, they should be included as members of the team for domestic competitions/foreign exposures. Performance benchmarks along with time lines in respect of sportspersons to be trained by the foreign coach will be defined and monitored. Continuation of appointment of foreign coach will be subject to performance review against the said bench-marks.</p>
17.	High Performance Specialist Coach	<p>A High Performance Specialist Coach will be appointed for disciplines included in the multidisciplinary mega events to attract top level Indian Coaches whose credentials are comparable to top foreign coaches. Government of India will pay remuneration up to Rs. 2,00,000/- per month.</p>
18.	Chief/National Coach	<p>A National Coach will be appointed for a sports discipline from a Panel jointly prepared by SAI and the NSF concerned. Government of India will pay remuneration up to Rs. 1,50,000/- per month to the National Coach.</p> <p>Higher salary may be allowed in truly deserving cases after following due procedure with the approval of the Union Minister In-charge of Sports.</p>
19.	Other coaches	<p>To be appointed by SAI as per requirement following due procedure at a salary not exceeding Rs.75,000 per month. Higher salary may be allowed in truly deserving cases after following due procedure with the approval of the Minister in charge of Sports.</p>
20.	Training of sports scientists, coaches and support personnel	<p>A perspective plan may be prepared for imparting training/upgrading skills of coaches and support personnel like masseurs, GTMT experts, doctors, physiotherapists and mental trainers, etc. Up to 2% of the allocation under the Scheme may be earmarked for funding the plan.</p>
21.	Expenditure on dope control	<p>Funds will be released direct to NADA for sample collection and to NDTL for sample testing. This will be counted towards the total grant given to individual NSFs under the Scheme.</p>
22.	Purchase of equipment.	<p>Sports equipment /sports sciences equipment items for use in national camps, the value of which in each case is below Rs. 10 lakh, would be procured by NSFs concerned and funds would be provided to NSFs by SAI including AMC charges for higher quality equipment. On request, advance to the extent of 75% of the estimated value may be provided to the NSFs. For items above Rs.10 lakhs, the procurement would be made by SAI. Sports Equipment to be as per the specifications of the International federation.</p> <p>NSFs will also be assisted to purchase sports equipment/sports science equipment's for training/ competitions up to 75% of the cost. Requests for purchase of equipment may be made to SAI in the prescribed format. This should be accompanied by a list of equipment to be purchased. In case the equipment is to be purchased from indigenous</p>

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		suppliers, it should be purchased preferably from suppliers on the rate contract of SAI or from any other supplier after following the GFR. The equipment should be as per the specifications approved by the International Federations. NSF may purchase equipment up to Rs. one crore subject to prior approval of SAI/MYAS and subject to their following the GFR Provisions.
23.	Cultural exchange	Subject to availability of funds, National Sports Federations may be assisted for meeting expenses on local hospitality of foreign teams visiting India under Cultural Exchange Programme on quid pro-quo basis i.e. similar facilities being extended to Indian teams while visiting the said country. Local hospitality shall cover boarding, lodging, internal travel and such other expenses as are provided for the Cultural Exchange Programmes. Application in this respect may be submitted in the prescribed format for teams going abroad and coming to India under such programmes. These applications will be submitted to MYAS at least three months before the event with a copy to SAI.
24.	Administrative support	Up to 2% of the budget under the Scheme may be spent for hiring of professionals qualified in the field of sports for administrative purposes by NSFs as per the guidelines framed in this regard. The purpose is to ensure efficient management of Sports.
25.	Administrative & Legal Expenses	For operation of the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs and optimum utilization of the resources under this scheme, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports may have to seek professional advice. It also spends some amount towards legal expenses to defend various Court Cases, creating awareness, etc. For such purposes, expenses can be incurred up to 2% of the annual budget under the Scheme.
26.	Evaluation of athletes' performance from Sports Science point of view	Rs.1500/- per athlete/ International participation, (if camp is not held before competition) for undergoing evaluation from Sports Science and Medical Fitness point of view.

5. All other provisions under the Guidelines of Assistance to NSFs, such as category of sports disciplines, entitlement limits, etc. shall be governed by the existing instructions in force. Availability of assistance or otherwise under a specific component of this Scheme to a particular NSF will depend on factors like its entitlement as per its category (focused, priority, general or others), its current performance, availability of resources under the Scheme and assessment of its functioning. Financial norms of the scheme will be revised as per CPI with 2015 as base year.

6. Provisions of the scheme can be relaxed/revised in consultation with IFD and with the approval of the Union Minister in-charge of Sports provided the basic nature and scope of the relevant provisions of the scheme are not altered and provided the relaxation/ revision does not require changes in budgetary allocation of the scheme.

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7. In case any clarification is required on any provision of or any matter relating to implementation of the scheme, the same will be referred to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, whose decision in the matter shall be final.

8. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble MOS (I/C) YAS and comes into force from the date of issue of this order.

Yours faithfully,

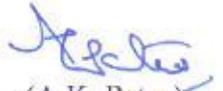


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