

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Department of Youth Affairs and Sports)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 12th November, 1998

S.O. 973 (E) – Whereas Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource, Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, being the person who proposes to apply the funds of the **National Sports Development Fund**, New Delhi, in trust for charitable purposes, has applied for vesting the funds mentioned in Schedule ‘A’ annexed hereto in the Treasurer of Charitable Endowments for Indian and for the settlement of a Scheme for the management and administration of the said fund;

Now, therefore, the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 and 5 of the Charitable Endowments Act, 1890 (6 of 1890), and upon the application as aforesaid, and with the concurrence of the Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, do hereby order that the moneys set out in Schedule ‘A’ annexed hereto shall, as from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, be vested in the Treasurer of Charitable Endowments for India to held by him and his successors in office upon trust to hold the said moneys and the income thereof in accordance with the trust and terms specified in the scheme in Schedule ‘B’ annexed hereto for the management and administration of the said fund;

And it is hereby further notified that the scheme specified in Schedule ‘B’ annexed hereto has, under sub-section (1) of section 5 of the said Act, been settled for the administration of the said Fund and under sub-section (3) of section 5 of the said Act, It is hereby further ordered that it shall come into force with immediate effect.

SCHEDULE ‘A’

National Sports Development Fund

Contribution of rupees 2 crore provided out of the plan budget of the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, towards the funds of National Sports Development Fund.

SCHEDULE 'B'

Scheme for the Administration of the National Sports Development Fund

1. Short title and Commencement:

- (1) This scheme may be called the National Sports Development Fund scheme, 1998.
- (2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the official Gazette.

2. Definitions

In this scheme, unless the context otherwise requires -

- (a) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Council;
- (b) "Committee" means the executive committee constituted under paragraph 11;
- (c) "Council" means the Council constituted under paragraph 7;
- (d) "Fund" means the National Sports Development Fund
- (e) "Member Secretary" means the Member Secretary of the Council nominated under paragraph 7;
- (f) "Paragraph" means a Paragraph of the Scheme;
- (g) "President" means the President of the committee";
- (h) "Properties" means properties belonging to the fund;
- (i) "Scheme" means the Scheme for the administration of the National Sports Development Fund"

3 Objects of the fund:

The Object of the Fund will be

- i. to administer and apply the moneys of the fund for promotion of sports in general and specific sports disciplines and individual sports persons in particular for achieving excellence at the National and International level;
- ii. to impart special training and coaching in relevant sports disciplines to sportsperson, coaches and sports specialist;
- iii. to construct and maintain infrastructure as may be required for promotion of excellence in sports;
- iv. to supply equipment to Government and Non-Government Organizations and individuals with a view to promoting excellence in sports;

v. to identify problems and take up research and development studies for providing support to excellence in sports;

vi. to promote international cooperation, in particular, exchanges which may promote the development of indigenous sport and human resources as also the activities which are within the ambit of Exchange Programmes entered into between India and other countries; and

vii. to provide low interest or interest free loans and activities related to any of the aforesaid objects.

4 Assets of the fund;

(1) In addition to the moneys, the particulars of which are given in schedule 'A' to this notification, the assets of the Fund shall include

(a) rupees seventeen crore and fifty lakh to be provided out of the Plan Budget of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, and

(b) all such grants and contributions, both recurring and non-recurring from the Central Government and the State Governments

(2) The Fund shall accept contributions from statutory bodies created under the Acts of Parliament or of the State legislatures, the United Nations and its associated bodies, other International Organizations, private and public corporate sectors, trusts, societies and individuals;

Provided that the decision of the council- in case of acceptance or otherwise of money from an individual or an organization shall be final

5. Vesting of the assets of the Fund:

The assets of the Fund shall be vested in the Treasurer of charitable Endowments for India under the scheme.

6 The Treasurer of Charitable Endowments shall not act in the management or administration of the Fund but subject to any general or special directions given by the Central Government such management and administration shall be vested in the Council.

7. Constitution of the Council:

For the management and administration of the fund the Central Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, constitute a Council consisting of the following members, namely:-

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| A 1. Union Minister of Human Resource Development | - Chairperson (Ex-officio) |
| 2. Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports | - Vice-Chairperson (Ex-officio) |
| 3. Secretary to the Government of India | - Member (Ex-officio) |
| Department of Youth Affairs and Sports | - Member (Ex-officio) |
| 4 .Director General, Sports Authority of India | - Member (Ex-officio) |
| 5. Joint Secretary to the Government of India, | |
| Department of Youth Affairs and Sports | - Member (Ex-officio) |
| 6. Financial Adviser | |
| Ministry of Human Resource Development | |
| 7 . Eight eminent sports persons and up to nine | - Members |
| eminent persons representing corporate sector, | |
| private foundations and not- for- | |
| profit voluntary organizations and such other fields | |
| 8. An officer not below the rank of the | - Member-Secretary |
| Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, | |
| Department of Youth Affairs and Sports | |

8. Meeting of the Council:

The Council shall meet at least once in a year to decide policy matters or issue relating to the Fund, on which its decisions are sought by the Committee.

9. Quorum of the meetings of the Council and decisions of the Council :

- (1) The quorum for a meeting of the Council shall be two third of the strength of the council shall be two third of the strength of the council of which, at least three shall be ex-officio members including the Chairperson.
- (2) The Council shall decide all matters by consensus provided that in case of difference, the resolution shall be put to vote and decided by majority of votes of the members present and voting and in case of equality of votes, the Chairperson shall have a second or a casting vote.'

10. Conduct of business of the Council:

- (1) The council may function notwithstanding any vacancy in its constitution provided, however, that at no time the number of vacancies shall be such that the

total number of Member is less than the quorum required for a meeting of the Council.

(2) Subject to the provisions herein contained, the Council may, with the previous approval of the Central Government, frame and vary from time to time, as it thinks fit, bye-laws for the conduct of its business.

11. Executive Committee:

Day-to-Day working of the Fund shall be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of following members; namely-

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| (1) Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports | President (ex-officio) |
| (2) Director General, Sports Authority of India | Member (ex-officio) |
| (3) Joint Secretary to the Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports | Member (ex-officio) |
| (4) Financial Adviser
Ministry of Human Resource Development | Member (ex-officio) |
| (5) 5 Members of the Council to be nominated
keeping in view their experience in management and fund
raising | Member |
| (6) Member-Secretary of the Council | Member-Secretary |

The Executive Committee shall have the authority to call upon experts to assist it in its deliberations.

12. Quorum:

(1) The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be two third of the total number of member of the Committee of which at least two should be ex-officio members including the President

(2) All matters on which the decision of the Committee is required shall be decided by consensus failing which by majority of votes of the members present and voting on the question and in case of equality of votes, the President shall have a second or casting vote

13. Meeting of the Committee:

The Committee shall meet as often as necessary but not less than four times in a year.

14. Framing of bye-law:

The Council may from time to time, with the previous approval of the Central Government, make bye-laws;-

- (1) for regulation, management, appointment of officers and their terms and conditions and for any other purpose connected with the execution and management of the objects of the fund: and
- (2) for the conduct of business of the Council.

15. Investment:

(1) The Council shall decide on the overall policy of investment of the Fund. the fund. The Committee shall invest the assets of the Fund in any one or more of the mode of investments for the time being authorized by law for the investment of the trust money as the Committee may think proper.

(2) The Committee may invest moneys of the Fund not immediately required on short term basis in fixed deposit/certificates

16. Delegation of Powers:

(1) The Council may delegate any of its power excluding the power to decide policy matters and the power to frame bye-laws to the Committee.

(2) The Committee may delegate to one of its members or a sub-committee or sub-committee created for the purpose of its powers as may, in the option of the Committee, are required to be exercised merely for ministerial acts involving no discretion or are considered necessary coming to common usage.

17. Contracts:

All contracts and other assurances shall be executed in the name of the Council and signed on their behalf by the Joint Secretary in-charge of National Sports Development Fund, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports in his capacity as the Member of the Council, or any Member of the Committee duly authorized by the Council.

18. Additional Endowments:

(1) The Council may accept any endowments, donation or other contributions in augmentation of the Fund or towards actualization of any its objects.

(2) The Council may also accept endowments, donations or other contributions for any special purpose connected with any of the Schemes not inconsistent with or calculated to impede the due working of the provisions of the Scheme.

(3) It shall be permissible for a donor to the Fund to indicate a project along any specific location/aspect for funding and also an agency for the execution of the project while making donations to the Fund subject to general policy guidelines and rule, if any in this behalf. The Council or the Committee, in case the power to accept endowments donations or other contributions have been delegated to it, shall respect the choice of the donor to the extent possible.

19. Eligibility of Financial Assistance:

The National Sports Federation, State Sports Association, State Sports Council, non Government organization with Known record of promotion of sports and registered under the Societies Registration Act 1860 (21 of 1860) or registered as public trust functioning for a least three years or individual sports persons of outstanding talent shall be eligible for applying for financial assistance from the fund for a specific project. Bodies/persons receiving assistance shall have to submit utilization certificate with relevant details within the period of time as may be specified by the Council. The fund shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

20. Application to Council:

Application for financial assistance from or under the Fund from voluntary organizations shall be in the Form specified in Appendix annexed to this Scheme.

21. The financial assistance from or under the Fund shall be decided by the Committed taking into consideration the project, the status of the executing body as also the wishes of the donors.

Provided that there should be no upper limit of financial assistance under the Fund.

22. Consideration of Application:

All applications for financial assistance or loans from the Fund shall be considered and disposed of by the Committee and the Council shall be informed of such decisions:

Provided that before any application is considered, the President of the Committee, if he thinks it necessary to do so, may refer such application to the Council or any other body for expressing its views thereon.

23. Power to stop Financial Assistance:

The president of the Committee, if he thinks it necessary to do so, and for reasons to be recorded in writing, may withhold or reduce any undisbursed financial assistance, made under the Scheme.

24. Conditions of Financial Assistance

It shall be the condition of financial assistance to any non-Governmental organization that the non Governmental organization or as the case may be shall maintain a separate account of the financial assistance within the stipulated time, shall furnish utilization certificate at the time specified in this behalf, shall make available audited accounts of the financial assistance received within the stipulated time and assist the officers of the fund or such other Officers, who may be so authorised in this behalf in the inspection of the programmes executed or books maintained by such organizations.

25. Duration of Membership

(1) A member of the Council or the Committee shall cease to be as such if he dies or resigns his membership or becomes of unsound mind or insolvent or is convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude

(2) The nominations of non-official members on the council and the Committee shall be done by the Central Government in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

(3) A non-official member shall be appointed for a period of three years.

(4) A member shall be eligible for re-nomination also

26. Powers and Functions of Member- Secretary:

It shall be the duty of the Member-Secretary.

(a) to be the custodian of all records of the Council and the Committee;

(b) to conduct the official correspondence on behalf of the Council and the Committee;

(c) to issue all notice for convening the meeting of the Council and Committee;

(d) to keep minutes of all meetings of the Council and the Committee and of such other bodies and convening those meetings;

(e) to manage the properties or the moneys under the Fund, to maintain accounts and execute all contracts on behalf of the council;

(f) to prepare the budget relating to the administrative expenses of the Council are Committee such as expenditure on travelling allowances and daily allowances of the members, which shall be a legitimate charge on the Fund;

(h) to exercise all other powers and execute such other functions as may be assigned to him by the Council or Committee.

27. Allocation of Fund:

The Committee shall determine the proportion of the total moneys of the Fund which shall be applied for the purpose of this Scheme in a particular year. Minimum administrative infrastructure shall be provided for operation of the Fund after obtaining approval of Ministry of Finance and Department of Personnel and Training wherever necessary.

28. Withdrawal of Fund:

(1) withdrawal of fund from the accounts of the Council shall be regulated in a manner to be determined by the Committee.

(2) Such withdrawal shall be made by cheques or requisition (as the case may be) signed by the Member-Secretary in case the amount does not exceed Rs 5000/- and duly signed by Member-Secretary and another member authorised by the Committee in other cases.

29. The Committee may delegate any administrative or financial power to a person or person as it may consider necessary for the discharge of its functions and such as may be determined by the Committee in other case.

30. Remuneration to Members and officers:

(1) No remuneration shall be paid to any of the members of the Council and Committee except travelling and daily allowance at rate to be determined by the Council.

(2) Members of the Council and Committee who are Government official may draw travelling and daily allowance, as admissible to them, from the source from which they draw their salaries.

(3) Non-official members of the Council and Committee shall be entitled to draw such remuneration and travelling and other allowances as may be specified by the Council in bye-laws made by it.

31. Audit of Accounts:

(1) Accounts of all moneys and properties and of income and expenditure of the Fund shall be maintained by the Member-Secretary and audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India who shall certify that the expenditure from the Fund has been incurred in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme.

(2) A statements of the annual accounts of the Fund shall be approved by the Council and after the same has been audited and certified by theComptroller and Auditor General of India and approved by the Council shall be submitted by the Member Secretary of the Council to the Government of India every year. These accounts shall be laid on the table of both the House of the Parliament.

32. Annual Report:

A report on the working of the National Sports Development Fund of Every year shall be prepared in the month of June by the Member-Secretary of the Council and after approved of the Council, presented to the Government of India. This report shall laid on the table of both the House of Parliament.

APPENDIX

(See para 20 of schedule B)
National Sports Development Fund, 1998
Form for submission of Request

1. Name and address of the applicant
Organization/individual
2. Sports Discipline
3. Date of establishment of the organization
4. Brief history and a brief account of activities
(Attach separate sheet, if necessary)
5. Whether the organization is registered under
any law for the time being in force?
If so, the details thereof
6. Whether the organization of National/State/
District level

7. Whether the organization is in receipt of Assistance from the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports or any other Ministry/Department of the Government of India? If so, the details thereof
8. Whether the organization is in respect of assistance from the Central Government including autonomous bodies, any programme? If so, the details thereof
9. Whether the organization is in receipt of assistance from the State Government for any programme? If so, the details including amount, year and purpose separately for each grant
10. Whether the organization receives grant from any Autonomous organization of the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports? If so, details thereof, Including amount, year and purpose separately for each grant
11. Whether the organization receives grants in cash or Kind from any other organization in India or in a Foreign country? If so, the details thereof.
12. Details of the proposal :
 - (a) Title of the project and place of implementation

 - (b) Project implementation dates:
 - (i) Date of commencement
 - (ii) Date of termination
 - (c) Type of assistance requested Financial contribution
 - (i) Creation of infrastructure
 - (ii) Maintenance of infrastructure
 - (iii) Equipment
 - (iv) Coaching/training
 - (v) Study/research

- (vi) Publications, periodical and documentation
- (vii) Conference/meeting or seminar
- (viii) Consultancy service
- (ix) Loans
- (x) Travel subsidy
- (xi) Any other item(s)

13. Financial contribution of the recipient organization. Amount of financial assistance sought from the National Sports Development Fund

14. Description of the Project

15. Activities to which this project
Relates (Please see objects of the Fund)

16. Geographical coverage of the project

International
National
Inter-State
State
District

17. Name of the body responsible for executing the Project

18. Beneficiary Institution(o)

19. Attested copies of the following documents

To be attached with the application:

- (i) Registration certificate
- (ii) Constitution of the organization articles of memorandum, and aims and objectives
- (iii) Annual reports of last two years (a separate report for each year). This report should briefly describe each programme undertaken and the physical targets achieved for each. The location of the projects/activities should also be mentioned.

- (iv) List of present members/office bearers of the Board of Management/ Executive Committee, date on which it was constituted, present tenure (give dates)
- (v) Staff of the organization (give names, scale of pay, present emoluments)
- (vi) Audited statement of accounts of the entire organization :
 - (a) Balance sheet (b) income and expenditure account; and (c) receipt and payment account certified by a Chartered Accountant or a Government Auditor. The statement should be furnished for the last two years.Any other papers the organization would like to attach.

Certified that information given above is true and that withholding of any information or furnishing incorrect information will lead to cancellation of sanction/recovery or grant and such other action under the law.

Signature of Secretary of the Organization

Name _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

See Note attached for further details

NOTE

1. National Sports Development Fund aims at sanctioning grants to promoting sports persons, Government and non-Government organizations largely out of interest accrued on the Corpus Fund and out of the contributions of the donors.
2. Assistance under the National Sports Development Fund will be given to Government and non-government organizations to foster India's sports discipline and sports persons and to broad base sports.
3. The fund will accept project relating to preparatory assistance, technical cooperation including studies of problems on promotion of sports provision of experts, supply of equipment, emergency assistance, training and support for promotional activities.

4. NSDF shall strive to keep in readiness a large number of projects requiring funding and shall, from time to time, renew, upgrade and add to them. The donors would be free to choose any projects or suggest new ones for funding and support.
5. A donor to NSDF may indicate a project along with any specific location/aspect for funding and also an agency for execution of the project while making donations to NSDF subject to general policy guidelines and rules, if any, in this behalf. The NSDF shall respect the choice of the donor to the extent possible.
6. Applications for grant in the proforma accompanied by the following documents should be sent to the Member-Secretary. The National Sports Development Fund c/o Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
 - (i) A copy (preferably photocopy) of the Registration Certificate duly attested by a Gazetted Officer.
 - (ii) A copy of the Memorandum of Association/By-laws of the organization duly signed/attested by the applicant.
 - (iii) List of members of the Managing Committee with their qualifications and occupations.
 - (iv) Copies of annual reports and audited statements of accounts for the last two years duly signed/attested by the applicant.