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The following have been the highlights of dope control programme conducted by National Anti Doping Agency during the calendar year 2018:

1. More than 4000 dope tests were carried out during the year 2018 as compared to 3363 carried out in 2016 and 3594 tests carried out during the year 2017.
2. The quality of dope control improved by successful implementation of all the 44 corrective suggestions of WADA.
3. Innovative measures like Athlete Biological Passport programme, Independent Observer Programme, speak up mechanism and an All India toll free helpline were introduced during the year.
4. In an effort to reduce the incidence of doping, anti-doping education cum awareness programmes were pro-actively conducted to include school and youth level athletes. A total of 84 such programmes cum workshops were conducted as compared to 52 in 2016 and 64 in 2017.
5. The incidence of doping reduced to less than 70 violations during the year 2018 as compared to 77 cases in 2016 and 73 cases in 2017. This has improved India's position globally with regard to dope control.
6. Dope control was successfully implemented in all major events like the 1st Khelo India Games, Common Wealth Games and Asian Games. As many as 498 international level Indian athletes were tested by NADA prior to Asian Games (including 54 Indian athletes tested abroad by NADA), which was the largest ever testing programme carried out by NADA before any international event.
7. Anti-Doping Charter for Athlete Rights adopted during the year.
8. New policy for empanelment of Dope Control Officers and associated personnel has been adopted with enhanced remuneration. This will improve the quality of personnel at the ground level carrying out dope testing on behalf of NADA.

9. The first ever meeting of General Body of NADA was held on 01.08.2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Sports Minister Col. Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore in which a number of policy matters pertaining to dope control were approved.
10. The process of Therapeutic Use Exemption has been streamlined during the year due to which as many as 14 athletes submitted TUE requests (as compared to only 2 during the year 2017) and all of them were disposed off in quick time.
11. A draft anti doping bill has been prepared during the year.
12. The Registered Testing Pool of NADA was revised during the year and a large number of sports discipline and international level athletes have now been included in it.

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