

**Anti Doping Disciplinary Panel**  
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Hall No.104  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi, 110003  
Tele. 011-24368274

To,

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

Mr. Vaseem Raza  
S/o Mr. Sarfaraz Hussain,  
H. No. 125/1269, Bandok Vali Lane,  
New Delhi 110055

**Subject: Decision of the Anti Doping Disciplinary Panel Case No.-145.ADDP.01.2019**

**NADA VS VASEEM RAZA**

The order containing the decision of the Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel dated 20/02/2020 in respect of final hearing of the above case held on 17/01/2020 is enclosed.

It may please be noted that according to Article 13.7.2 of Anti Doping Rules of NADA 2015, **the time to file an appeal to the National Anti-Doping Appeal Panel shall be twenty one (21) days from the date of receipt of this decision by the appealing party.** The appeal may be filed at the abovementioned address.

Also please note that according of Article 10.6.1- (**Substantial Assistance in Discovering or Establishing Anti-Doping Rule Violations**)- Any period of Ineligibility imposed may be partially suspended if you assist NADA in uncovering and/or establishing an ADRV by another Athlete or Athlete Support Personnel pursuant to Article 10.6.1.1 ADR. Further, the athlete is subjected to doping control test during the ineligibility period, therefore, athlete is required to update his residential address to the NADA Office as and when changed.

Copy of the NADA Anti Doping Rules 2015 may be downloaded from NADA website at the following link:-[www.nadaindia.org/en/anti-doping-rule-of-nada](http://www.nadaindia.org/en/anti-doping-rule-of-nada)

The receipt of this communication may be acknowledged.

Encl: 07 sheets.

  
(Yasir Arafat)

Copy forwarded together with the copy of the order containing the decision of the Anti Doping Disciplinary Panel for information and action deemed necessary:

1. Indian Olympic Association, Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi- 110016.
2. World Anti Doping Agency, Stock Exchange Tower, 800 Place Victoria (Suit 1700) P. O. Box 180, Montreal (Quebec), H4Z 1B7, Canada
3. General Secretary, Indian Body Builders Federation, Pathare Gymco, 280/A, Javalkar Mansion, Dr. B.A. Road, Parel, Mumbai-12.
4. World Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Federation, # 32D, Jalan Tani, Singapore 455876.
5. National Anti-Doping Agency, J.L.N Stadium, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Hall No. 104, Lodhi Road, New Delhi, 110003

**IN THE CHAMBER OF ANTI DOPING DISCIPLINARY PANEL**

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In the Matter of **Mr. Vaseem Raza, S/o Mr. Sarafaraz Hussain, R/o H.No. 125/126, Bandok Vali Lane, New Delhi - 110055** for the violation of Article 2.1 of Anti -Doping Rules 2015.

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| 1. | Event                             | Body Building  |
| 2. | Name of Competition               | OUT-COMPETITION.   |
| 3. | Date of Sample Collection         | 09/02/2019   |
| 4. | Nature of Sample                  | Urine  |
| 5. | Urine sample Code Number          | 6364680  |
| 6. | Name of Sample Witness            | Mr. Kamal Kishore  |
| 7. | Name of Dope Control Officer      | Mr. Yadvender  |
| 8. | Date of Result 'A' Sample testing | 30.04.2019   |
| 9. | Result of 'A' sample              | Adverse Analytical Finding for:<br><b>(a) Boldenone and its Metabolite (5b-Androst-1-en-17b-ol-3-one) Anabolic Steroid.</b><br><br><b>(b) Methandienone and its Metabolite (Epimetendiol, 17-epi-methandienone, 6b-OH-methandienone and 17b-Hydroxymethyl-17a-</b> |

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**metmethylnorandrost-1,4,13-  
triene-3-one, (Methandienone  
Long term metabolite)  
Androgenic Anabolic Steroid.**

10.	Date of Initial Review	06.05.2019
11.	Date of provisional suspension	07.05.2019
12.	Date of first notice	07.05.2019
13.	Date of Result 'B' Sample testing	Not Opted
14.	Result of 'B' Sample	Not Opted
16.	Date of Notification	_____
17.	Date of hearing	17/01/2020
18.	Plea of the athlete	He neither appeared before the Hearing Panel nor submitted any written reply offering explanation for presence of specified prohibited substance in his body inspite of notice to appear.
19.	Date of decision	20.02.2020

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NADA notified its assertion relating to violation of Anti-Doping Rule 2.1 by **Mr. Vaeem Raza** (Sports Discipline- **Body Building**).

Mr. Yasir Arafat Law Officer, NADA presented the case on behalf of NADA and produced the documents in support of the case. Hearing was conducted on 17/01/2020 by the Hearing Panel constituted under Rule 8.3.2

### Factual Background:

1. A urine sample ("Sample") of the athlete, Vaseem Raza ("**Athlete**") was collected at Chandigarh when he was out of competition by the Doping Control Officer of NADA on 09.02.2019. As per procedure, the Sample was split into two separate bottles, hereinafter referred to as Sample A and Sample B.
2. Sample A was tested at the National Dope Testing Laboratory, New Delhi and was returned with an Adverse Analytical Finding (AAF) for **(a) Boldenone and its Metabolite (5b-Androst-1-en-17b-ol-3-one) Anabolic Steroid and (b) Methandienone and its Metabolite (Epimetendiol, 17-epi-methandienone, 6b-OH-methandienone and 17b-Hydroxymethyl-17a-metmethylnorandrost-1,4,13-triene-3-one, (Methandienone Long term metabolite) Androgenic Anabolic Steroid** which are non-specified prohibited substances under Category S-1 of the WADA's 2019 Prohibited List.
3. Consequently, NADA issued a notice of charge dated 07.05.2019 ("Notice of Charge") for violation of Rule 2.1 of the NADA Anti - Doping Rules ("Rule"). The notice of charge was also accompanied with the information that the Athlete has been provisionally suspended in terms of Article 7.9 of the Anti-Doping Rules with effect from expiry of 7 days of notice period.

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4. NADA vide notice/email dated 18.06.2019 informed the Athlete about his right of seeking 'B' sample analysed on payment of fees in terms of Anti-Doping Rules, 2015. But the Athlete neither replied to the Notice of Charge dated 07.05.2019 nor the notice/letter dated 18.06.2019 issued by NADA which in absence of no response was deemed that the Athlete has waived off his right to get his 'B' sample analysed. The Athlete submitted no explanation in writing regarding the presence of prohibited substance in his body inspite of notice/e-mail dated 18.10.2019 and 12.12.2019 asking him to appear and submit his reply.
  
5. Oral hearing was conducted on 17.01.2020 by the Hearing Panel constituted under Rule 8. The hearing was attended by Mr. Yasir Arafat, Law Officer, NADA and the Athlete was neither present in person nor through any representative/lawyer nor submitted any written response to the charges inspite of notice/e-mail dated 18.10.2019 and 12.12.2019 asking him to appear and submit his reply.

#### **6. Submissions of the Athlete**

The Athlete submitted no explanation as to how the non-specified prohibited substances were found in his body while he was out of the competition. He being an athlete is presumed of having the knowledge of Anti-Doping Rules and that the consumption of prohibited substance is the violation of these Rules.

#### **7. Submissions of NADA**

It is submitted by NADA that under Article 2.1.1 of the Rules, it is the personal duty of each Athlete to ensure that no Prohibited Substance enters his/her body. Accordingly, it is not necessary that intent, fault, negligence or







knowing use on the part of the Athlete is to be demonstrated so as to establish a case of anti-doping rule violation under Article 2.1. It is further submitted by NADA that the non-specific prohibited substances as found in the sample of the Athlete were taken by him intentionally to enhance his strength and performance during the competition which is the violation of the Anti-Doping Rules.

## **8. Observations and Findings of the Panel**

After hearing the parties at length and having considered all documents and the oral submissions, the Panel observes and hold as under:

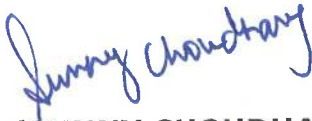
- (i) As per Article 2.1 of the Anti-Doping Rules 2015, it is the personal duty of every Athlete to ensure that no prohibited substance specified or non-specified, as defined and prescribed in the Prohibited List Of Substances, 2019 by the National Anti-Doping Agency, enters his or her body. Article 2.1.2 further provides that the sufficient proof of an anti-body doping rule violation under Article 2.1 is established by the presence of the Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers in the Athlete's sample.
  
- (ii) It is admitted and undisputed position that the Athlete's sample taken on 09.02.2019 in Chandigarh when he was out of competition has tested positive for **(a) Boldenone and its Metabolite (5b-Androst-1-en-17b-ol-3-one) Anabolic Steroid and (b) Methandienone and its Metabolite (Epimetendiol, 17-epi-methandienone, 6b-OH-methandienone and 17b-Hydroxymethyl-17a-metmethylnorandrost-1,4,13-triene-3-one, (Methandienone Long term metabolite) Androgenic Anabolic Steroid** which are non-specified prohibited substances under Category S-1 of the WADA's 2019 Prohibited List. The Athlete has waived his right to get Sample – B

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9. In view of the above, it is established that a violation under Article 2.1 of the Anti-Doping Rules has taken place. No explanation offered by the Athlete shows that the consumption of these prohibited substances was intentional to enhance performance and strength.
10. Once a violation of anti-doping rules has been established, sanctions of individuals as provided under Article 10 of the Anti-Doping Rules, 2015 must ensue. The Hearing Panel holds that since the Athlete has intentionally consumed the specified prohibited substances, **he is liable for sanctions under Article 10.2.1.1 for ineligibility for a period of 4 years.**
11. In the present case, since the Athlete was provisionally suspended as evident from the Charge Notice dated 07.05.2019, **the period of his ineligibility for the period of 4 years shall commence from the date of the Charge Notice i.e. 07.05.2019.**



(SUNNY CHOUDHARY)

CHAIRMAN



(COL (DR) RANA K CHENGAPPA)

MEMBER



(JAGBIR SINGH)

MEMBER

Dated: 20.02.2020