

HIGHLIGHTS OF ANTI-DOPING WORK BY NADA INDIA IN 2020

- 1) NADA carried out 1250 Dope Tests during the calendar year 2020 in 35 Sports Disciplines with a large number in major disciplines like Athletics, Weightlifting, Cricket, Wrestling, Boxing, Shooting, Swimming and Kabaddi.
- 2) 33 important events were covered during the year whereby 831 in-competition tests were conducted at several locations.
- 3) As many as 90 m Olympic Core Probables were tested with NADA conducting 143 dope tests.
- 4) The Registered Testing Pool (RTP) was revised and 56 dope tests were conducted on 42 RTP Players.
- 5) The Cricket matches of Indian Premier League (IPL) were for the first time covered in 2020 for Dope testing by NADA India.
- 6) The first ever Khelo India University Games and the first ever Khelo India Winter Games held in the year 2020 were also covered by Dope Testing.
- 7) The quality of Dope Tests was improved with increase in ESA Testing from 15% in the year 2019 to more than 20% in the year 2020.
- 8) A large number of International Players like Hima Das, Vinesh Phogat, P.V. Sindhu, Saina Nehwal, Meera Bai Chanu, Virat Kohli, Jaspreet Bumrah etc were subject to dope testing and found dope- free.
- 9) The year saw a significant decrease in the incidence of doping from 107 Dope Violations in 2019 to just 54 Dope Violations during the year 2020.
- 10) The overall dope positivity rate also declined from 5.6% in the year 2019 to 4.3% in the year 2020.
- 11) To improve Anti-doping Awareness despite constraints of COVID, NADA organized 55 Anti-doping Awareness Sessions during the year 2020.

- 12) To improve Anti-doping Outreach despite lockdowns in various parts of the country, NADA introduced Virtual Online Educational Programs and Webinars through Video Conferencing including the National Webinar on Anti-doping and Sports Science inaugurated on 7th December, 2020 by Hon'ble Sports Minister in which nearly 1500 Stake Holders participated.
- 13) The standard operating procedure was formulated to conduct Dope Testing during the pandemic.
- 14) A facility for e-hearing through Video Conferencing was introduced for Dope positive Athletes.
- 15) A total of 88 Doping Violation cases were finalized during the year and 13 Appeal cases were also disposed-off during the year.
- 16) A new set of Anti-doping Rules to be effective from 1st January, 2021 were formulated in line with the new WADA Code 2021.
- 17) To improve compliance with UNESCO's International Convention against Doping in Sport, a National Compliance Platform comprising of Stake Holders from various Ministries/ Departments was established and its first ever meeting held in the year 2020.
- 18) Meetings of the UNESCO's Approval Committee of the fund for elimination of doping in Sport were also held with India representing the entire Asia-Pacific globally.
- 19) Meetings of NADA's Governing Body and General Body presided over by the Hon'ble Sports Minister were also held during the year 2020 and important decisions taken to reduce the menace of drugs and prohibited substances amongst Sports persons.