Subject : Laying of review statement in respect of Annual Report and Audited Accounts of National Anti Doping Agency for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20

The Government of India through the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is in agreement with the Annual Report and Audited Accounts of National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20.

2. As signatory of Copenhagen Declaration on Anti Doping and UNESCO International Convention against Doping (1st February 2007), Govt. of India undertook appropriate measures to adopt the Code at the national and international level, which are consistent with the principles of World Anti Doping Code.

3. In terms of the Code an independent organization was to be established as apex national body possessing the primary authority to adopt and implement anti-doping rules, direct the collection of dope samples, the management of test results and conduct the hearings, all at the national level.

4. NADA was set up as a Society registered in 2008 under the Registration of Societies Act, 1860, with the objective of promoting, coordinating and monitoring the doping control programme in sports in all its forms in the country.

5. In pursuance of the decision, WADA amended the World Anti Doping Agency Code 2009 and the Government of India notified the amended the Anti-Doping rules of NADA in 2010 on 5th February 2010 in compliance of WADA code 2009 in consultation with WADA. NADA accepted the World Anti Doping Code and framed the Anti Doping Rules of NADA in 2010 and implemented in conformity with the NADA’s responsibility under the code. WADA further amended the World Anti
Doping Code 2015, to which NADA had implemented the same w.e.f 01.01.2015. These rules have been further amended as per WADA Code 2021 and apply to the whole of India and have come into operation with effect from 1st January 2021.

6. The management and the affairs of NADA vest with the Governing Body comprising of Union Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports as Chairman, Secretary (Sports), as Vice-Chairman with 5 Members experts from outside and the Director General of NADA as Member Secretary.

7. NADA functions from its Headquarters based at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, East Gate No. 10, New Delhi. The organization is headed by Director General of NADA.

**Primary Functions of NADA:**

- Adopting and implementing anti-doping rules and policies, which conform to the World Anti-Doping Code.
- Dope sample collection of Sportspersons across the country.
- Result management following Anti Doping Rule Violations.
- Providing Awareness about Anti Doping measures for Athletes, Coaches and Support staff through education and research.

**DOPE TESTING**

8. The dope sample collection takes place mainly in place of the training locations and also during the sports event conducted across the country. In the recent years, NADA has started dope testing in national, state, university, and school level events conducted across India.

**RESULT MANAGEMENT**

**Anti Doping Disciplinary Panel (ADDP)**

9. Set up as per the current ADR of NADA 2021, the panel consists of 15 members with five bench hearing the anti doping rule violations. Each bench
consists of one expert from Legal, Medical and Sports field. Athletes found guilty of violating Anti Doping Rules of NADA are given an opportunity to present themselves before the hearing panel and explain their cases to the hearing panel on the date and time fixed by the Panel.

**Anti Doping Appeal Panel (ADAP)**

10. ADAP set up as per the current ADR of NADA 2021 to hear appeals against decisions of Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel. The panel consists of six members with two legal luminaries, two medical experts and two eminent sportspersons. The panels meet as and when required and hear the appeal cases.

**EDUCATION CUM AWARENESS PROGRAM**

11. NADA regularly conducts education/awareness program on doping in sports and dissemination of information, educating the sportspersons, coaches and support personnel on the ill effects of doping through teaching sessions/seminars/workshops and organizing dope tests on athletes both in-competition and out-of-competition.


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