



Indian judo contingent pull out of Asia Oceania championship as two judokas test positive; all athletes safe

New Delhi, April 7: Two Judokas who were set to compete at the ongoing Asia Oceania Judo Championships, have tested positive on their second test after arriving at Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. They don't have any major symptoms but have been quarantined to a safe facility. Following the positive reports, the Indian team has pulled out of the competition.

A 19-member team of 15 athletes and four coaches had left India for the Olympic qualifier competition. The judokas underwent four rounds of testing between March 30 and April 5 – two before leaving and one after landing in Bishkek and one a day before the competition. It was during the 4th test before the competition that the two were found Covid positive.

The players are safe in a hotel with their daily requirements being looked after by the money allocated to them as daily allowance for the competition. Meanwhile, the sports ministry is in consultation with the Ministry of External Affairs to bring the players back safe.

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