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Sub: EOI to finalise Host States for Khelo India Youth & Khelo India University Games for Next 5 Years

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3 In view of the above, interested **States/Union Territories** are encouraged to demonstrate their readiness, infrastructural capability, logistical planning, and legacy-based vision for sports development in their respective EOIs.

This issued with the approval of Competent Authority


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“EXPRESSION OF INTEREST”**

EOI to Host Khelo India Games

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This EOI is only illustrative in nature, and all narrations are intended to be used by the Host State/Union Territory as preliminary background information. This EOI does not necessarily contain all the relevant information in relation to the EOI process, and SAI reserves the right to withdraw the EOI and/ or add, amend, or review the requirements or information contained in this EOI at any time prior to the submission.



EOI is being floated to invite proposals from the eligible Host States/Union Territories and to help interested parties understand the Scope of Work/ToR. Further to this EoI, an RFP will be floated by SAI.

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1. Invitation for Expression of Interest

Sports Authority of India invites Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from various States and Union Territories to host future editions of the Khelo India Games. Khelo India scheme is one of the country's flagship multi-sport initiatives, established with the aim to build strong sports culture, foster grassroots talent, and provide national platform for athletes across levels to excel. Hosting these events will not only be a matter of prestige but it will also serve as a strategic opportunity for states to strengthen their sports infrastructure, enhance local economic impact.

Through this EOI process, SAI (Khelo India) seeks the willingness of the State to host Khelo India Games and also to identify capable and committed host states/union territories that can align with the long-term objectives of the Khelo India programme and deliver high-quality sporting events. Interested states/union territories are encouraged to demonstrate their infrastructural capability, logistical planning, and legacy-based vision for sports development in their respective EOIs. This document will form the foundation for the shortlisting and selection of **Host States for the next 5 years.**

The EOI document containing the details/ terms and conditions are available on the website i.e. www.kheloindia.gov.in and https://sportsauthorityofindia.nic.in/sai_new/

The application form, along with all necessary documents as per **Annexure A** must be submitted **via email** at kheloindiaevents@gmail.com

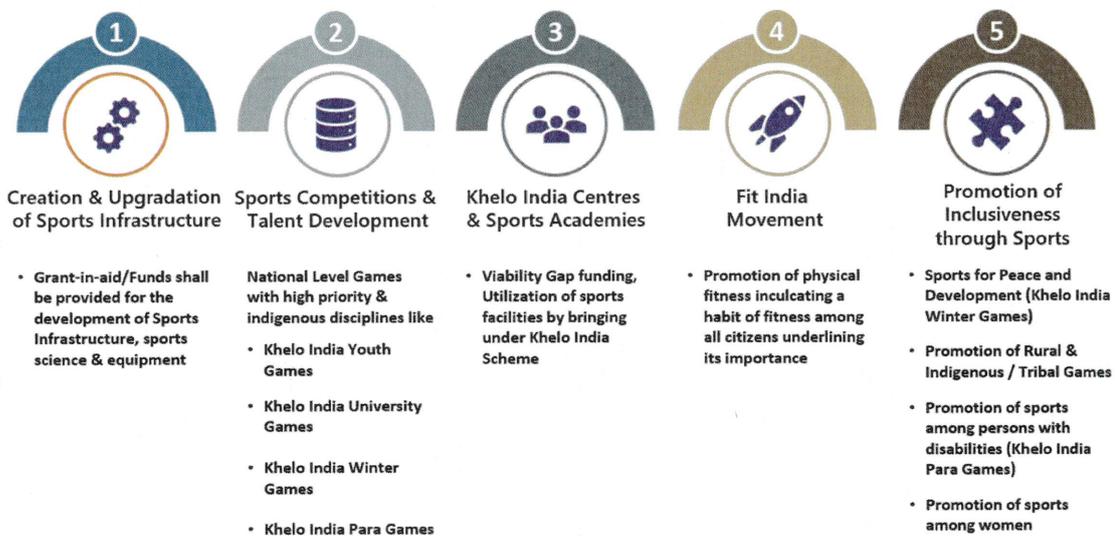
Last date and time for the submission of EOI: **Open-ended**

Note: SAI or any of its designates reserves the right to cancel this request for EOI and/or invite afresh with or without amendments, without liability or any obligation for such request for EOI and without assigning any reason. Information provided at this stage is indicative, and SAI reserves the right to amend/add further details in the EOI.

2. Background

“Khelo India: National Program for Development of Sports” was launched in the year 2017-18 with a view of achieving the twin objectives of mass participation and promotion of excellence in sports. The Khelo India Scheme is the flagship Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. It aims at infusing sports culture and achieving sporting excellence in the country, thus allowing the populace to harness the power of sports through its cross-cutting influence.

The Khelo India Scheme included the following components/verticals:



Under the vertical of Sports Competitions and Talent Development under Khelo India Scheme, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) and Sports Authority of India (SAI) organizes National-level competitions, i.e., Khelo India Youth Games, Khelo India University Games, and Khelo India Winter Games to provide a platform for talented athletes to showcase their sporting and competitive skills. So far, 7 editions of the Khelo India Youth Games, 5 editions of the Khelo India University Games, 6 editions of the Khelo

India Winter Games, 2 editions of the Khelo India Para Games, 2 editions of the Khelo India Beach Games and 1st edition of the Khelo India Water Sports Festival have been successfully conducted with the participation of 36 States/UTs. In addition, a new series of Khelo India Games is being planned, which would include Khelo India School Games, Khelo India Tribal Games, Khelo India North East Games, Khelo India Swadeshi Games, and Khelo India Martial Arts Games. For more information on the same, please refer to the Khelo India website: <https://kheloindia.gov.in/>.

The Games are conducted to provide a platform to showcase sporting skills and, accordingly become a platform for talent spotting and providing development pathways for gifted and talented athletes to achieve excellence. In addition, the Games are being organized to ensure a positive experience for the athletes by providing suitable Fields of Play (FOP), infrastructure, sports equipment, accommodation, catering, transportation, sports kits, and by adhering to international standards in all aspects of conduct.

3. About Sports Authority of India (SAI)

Sports Authority of India (SAI) was set up as a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act 1860 in pursuance of the Resolution No. 1-1/83/SAI dated 25th January, 1984 to carry forward the legacy of the IXth Asian Games held in New Delhi in 1982, under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS). SAI has been entrusted with twin objectives of promoting sports and achieving sporting excellence at the National and International levels. The Khelo India programme has been introduced to revive the sports culture in India at the grassroots level by building a strong framework for all sports played in the country and establishing India as a great sporting nation.

4. Aims and Objectives:

To finalise Host States to host Khelo India Games in the next 5 years. The following table outlines the planned editions of the Khelo India Games over the next five years. It highlights the proposed timelines, categories. This



forward-looking calendar serves as a strategic roadmap for states to align their readiness and plan submissions accordingly.

S. No.	Khelo India Events	Proposed Month	Host
1	Khelo India Youth Games	Nov – Dec	To be decided as per EOI
2	Khelo India University Games	Mar – Apr	To be decided as per EOI
Total Games Per Year (Next 5 years)			

The above-mentioned events are proposed events over the course of the next 5 years starting from 2026 and shall be subject to change and/or amendment.

5. Benefits of Hosting Khelo India Games

The Khelo India Games are more than just a sporting event. They reflect a larger vision of promoting a fit, active, and sport-oriented India. They have helped create:

Promoting Sports Culture: A vibrant sports culture encourages participation, fosters physical and mental well-being, builds community bonds, and contributes to the nation's identity and pride. Here are some key ways to promote sports culture

- Grassroots Development
- Increased Media Coverage
- Public and Private Partnerships
- Recognition and Rewards for Athletes
- Integration of Technology
- Inclusive Sports for All
- Linking Sports to Health and Education

Infrastructure Development: Significant investment in sports infrastructure, which can be used for future events and enhancing the athlete's development.

Showcasing the State (Art, Culture, Heritage & Tourism): Showcasing a state's art, culture, heritage, and tourism through sports is an excellent strategy to promote local identity and attract global attention. Sports events can serve as platforms to highlight the richness of a region while boosting tourism, cultural pride, and economic

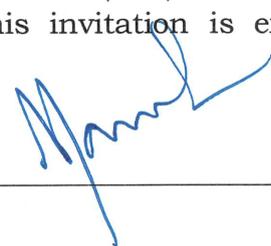
development. Here are some effective ways to combine sports with the showcasing of a state's cultural heritage

- Traditional Sports and Cultural Games
 - Integrating Art and Culture into Sporting Events
 - Creating Heritage Sports Festivals
 - Sport-Based Promotional Campaigns
 - Promoting Local Cuisine through Sports
 - Heritage and Sports Tourism Packages
 - Sports Museums with Cultural Focus
 - Cultural Souvenirs Linked to Sports
- **Opportunity for host cities and states:** An opportunity for the host cities and states to strengthen their sports ecosystems and local infrastructure and develop a robust legacy for future talent development, sports education, and community engagement.
 - **Increase Participation and Improve Medal Tally:** The Host State may get an additional participation opportunity in different events, even though it has not qualified for national Khelo India events, which will increase the overall participation of athletes and enable the possibilities of securing more medals. Below is a guideline that can focus on both broadening participation and achieving excellence at the elite level:
 - Grassroots Sports Development
 - Talent Identification and Nurturing
 - Improved Coaching and Support Systems
 - Sport and Infrastructure Development
 - Financial Support and Sponsorships
 - Promoting Sports among Women and Marginalized Groups
 - Building a Competitive Environment
 - Sports Awareness and Culture
 - Long-Term Planning for Olympic Success
 - **Community Engagement:** Engages local communities in sports and related activities, fostering a sense of pride and unity.

The Games have gained national recognition for their seamless organization, athlete-centric approach, and positive social impact on the communities.

6. Request for Willingness from States to Submit EOIs

The Sports Authority of India (SAI), under the aegis of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India requests all states and union territories to submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) for hosting the upcoming edition of Khelo India Games. This invitation is extended to



states/UTs that are committed to fostering a culture of sports and are prepared to deliver a world-class event in alignment with national priorities.

States/UTs that are interested are requested to confirm their willingness to host by submitting an official communication, followed by a comprehensive EOI document outlining their readiness and vision, and interested states may express interest for any category or multiple categories as appropriate. The EOI document should contain the following key elements.

1. **Name of Event and Proposed Year:**
Details of various Khelo India events are provided in Annexure B.

2. **Financial Commitment:**
The Host State/UT shall outline its proposed financial commitment towards hosting the Games, including indicative budgetary allocations for event-related expenditure. Any financial assistance from SAI, if provided, shall be determined solely at the discretion of SAI at a subsequent stage, including the Request for Proposal (RFP) or definitive agreement stage. Submission of an EOI shall not confer any financial entitlement. Any expenditure beyond assistance approved by SAI shall be borne by the Host State/UT.

3. **Infrastructure Readiness:**
The Host State/UT shall provide details of existing and/or proposed sporting venues, supporting infrastructure, accommodation, medical and emergency facilities, and preparedness to meet standards as may be prescribed by SAI and/or the concerned National Sports Federations. Preference may be given to proposals optimising existing infrastructure and minimizing new construction.

4. **Logistical Capabilities:**
The proposal shall demonstrate arrangements relating to transportation, accommodation for athletes and officials, event security, catering, accessibility for para-athletes, and crisis management planning. These parameters are indicative and may be supplemented or modified during evaluation by SAI.

5. **Legacy and Vision:**
The proposal should outline the anticipated long-term impact of hosting the Games, including sports infrastructure development, athlete development pathways, promotion of sports participation, and socio-economic benefits. Legacy proposals shall be considered for qualitative assessment purposes only and shall not constitute binding commitments at the EOI stage.

7. **Governing Language and Law**

The EOI submitted by the Host State/Union Territory and all correspondence and documents relating thereto shall be in the English language. Printed literature furnished in any other language shall be accompanied by an English translation, which shall prevail for purposes of interpretation.



This EOI process shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of India. The courts at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect of matters arising out of or relating to this EOI process.

8. Conflict of Interest

Host State/Union Territory shall furnish an affirmative statement as to the absence of, actual or potential conflict of interest on the part of the Host State/Union Territory or any subcontractor due to prior, current, or proposed contracts, engagements, affiliations, ongoing/previous/pending cases with SAI. Additionally, such disclosure shall address any and all potential elements that would adversely impact the ability of the Host State/Union Territory to complete the requirements as given in the EOI or adversely influence its actions. It shall be the responsibility of the Host State/Union Territory to inform SAI, detailing the conflict in writing as an attachment to this EOI. SAI will be the final arbiter in cases of potential conflicts of interest. Failure to notify SAI of any potential conflict of interest will invalidate any verbal or written agreement.



Annexure – A

**Format of Expression of Interest expressing willingness to host future
Khelo India Events**

A detailed proposal that encompasses the following information

a) Proposed competition (Khelo India Youth Games, Khelo India University Games, etc.)	
b) Proposed Year	
c) Name of Host State/Union Territory	
d) Financial Commitment	
e) Readiness of Sports Venues a detailed presentation	
f) Readiness of Sports Equipment a detailed presentation	
g) Connectivity Support	
h) Alignment with existing Long Term development plans	
i) Legacy Planning	
j) Sports event experience, accommodation capacity, transport infrastructure.	
k) Accessibility for Para Athletes (only for Khelo India Para Games)	



Concept Note of all Games

Khelo India Youth Games

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S.No.	Name of the Event	Host City / State	Date
1.	Khelo India School Games, 2018	New Delhi	31st January to 08th February' 2018
2.	Khelo India Youth Games, 2019	Pune, Maharashtra	9th January to 20th January, 2019
3.	Khelo India Youth Games, 2020	Guwahati, Assam	10th January to 22nd January, 2020
4.	Khelo India Youth Games, 2021	Panchkula, Haryana	4th June to 13th June, 2022
5.	Khelo India Youth Games, 2022	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	30th January to 11th February, 2023
6.	Khelo India Youth Games, 2023	Tamil Nadu	19th to 31st Jan, 2024
7.	Khelo India Youth Games 2025	Bihar	4th -15th May 2025



Participation, Number of days, Competition Cycle & Ceremonies

The Games will witness an approximate participation of **6000+ athletes** from various States and UTs. The Games shall be completed in approximately 12 days (inclusive of the opening ceremony, followed by a competition and closing ceremony).

The KIYG is proposed to be an **annual event**, this will depend on the National Sports Federations (NSFs) / Ad-hoc Committee / Steering committee (where applicable) to conduct events across levels throughout the year.

Sports Discipline

The Games have been conducted in the following competitive Sports Disciplines

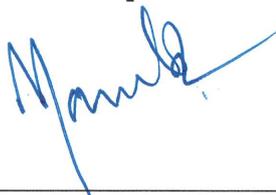
S.N O.	KISG 2018 (16)	KIYG 2019 (18)	KIYG 2020 (20)	KIYG 2021 (25)	KIYG 2022 (27)	KIYG 2023 (26)	KIYG 2025 (27)
1	Archery						
2	Athletics						
3	Badminton						
4	Basketball						
5	Boxing						
6	Football						
7	Gymnastics						
8	Hockey						
9	Judo						
10	Kabaddi						
11	Kho-Kho						
12	Shooting						



S.N O.	KISG 2018 (16)	KIYG 2019 (18)	KIYG 2020 (20)	KIYG 2021 (25)	KIYG 2022 (27)	KIYG 2023 (26)	KIYG 2025 (27)
13	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimmin g	Swimmin g
14	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleybal l	Volleybal l
15	Weightlifti ng	Weightlifti ng	Weightlifti ng	Weightlifti ng	Weightlifti ng	Weightlif ting	Weightlif ting
16	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestlin g	Wrestlin g
17		Table tennis	Table tennis	Table tennis	Table tennis	Table tennis	Table tennis
18		Tennis	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis
19			Cycling	Cycling	Cycling	Cycling	Cycling
20			Lawn bowl	Handball	Fencing	Fencing	Fencing
21				Thang-ta	Rowing	Squash	Thang-ta
22				Gatka	Kayaking and canoeing	Thang-ta	Gatka
23				Kalarippay attu	Thang-ta	Gatka	Kalaripp ayattu
24				Mallakha mb	Gatka	Kalaripp ayattu	Mallakha mb
25				Yogasana	Kalarippay attu	Mallakha mb	Yogasan a
26					Mallakha mb	Yogasan a	Rugby
27					Yogasana		Sepak Takraw

Age Category & Eligibility Criteria:

- The Games shall be conducted in the **U-18 Age category**
- **Individual Sports:** Athletes are nominated by NSF, CBSE, and SGFI, Host State, as per the allocated quota.



Team Sports: Team Names are nominated by NSF, SGFI, Host State as per the allocated quota. The teams shall be constituted by States after selection trials

- State/SAI, in collaboration with NSFs, shall be responsible for conducting the games for all disciplines.
- Athletes shall **produce a** place of studying, age proof, and respective stakeholders will nominate the players in compliance with the National Sports Code policy 2010; the responsibility of this verification will lie with NSFs / States.

Event Schedule:

1. Opening Ceremony (Day 0):

- An immersive opening ceremony featuring speeches by dignitaries and other key officials and showcasing the rich cultural heritage of India.
- A spectacular display of fireworks and artistic performances that captivate the audience, setting an enthusiastic tone for the games ahead.

2. Competition Days (12 days):

- Each day will feature a schedule of multiple sports competitions.
- Continuous coverage of the events through live broadcasts on digital platforms, as well as real-time updates on social media.

3. Closing Ceremony (Last Day):

- Presentation of the overall championship trophy to the state with the highest medal tally, celebrating their success and sportsmanship.

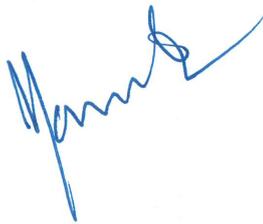
Above is an estimate based on benchmarking of previous events of similar size, the detailed schedule, and games duration to be updated based on games and event feasibility assessment.



Roles and Responsibilities

The responsibilities for organizing the Khelo India Youth Games would be jointly supervised by the Host State / UT, MYAS/SAI and the NSFs / Ad-hoc committee / Steering committee, and their specific roles and responsibilities as per past practices are as follows:

Host State / UT		SAI	
Accommodation & Catering	Host City Activation	Media & Communication	Sports Kits
Transportation	Opening Ceremony	Preparation of Games Schedule	Production and Broadcasting
Sports Infrastructure	Venue Overlays	SGFI / NSF/CBSE	
Sports Equipment	Medical Services	Kit Sizes for Athletes	Nomination of Athletes
Venue Operations	Volunteers	Athlete Coordination	
Spectator Engagement	Protocol	NSFs / Ad-hoc committee / Steering committee	
Branding & Marketing	Accreditation	Procurement of Kit for TOs and CMs	Provision of TOs and CMs Procurement of Stationery
Design Agency	State Coordination	Technical Conduct of the Games	Provision of SSVs
Joint Responsibility			
Sports Presentation (<i>By SAI, NSF and Host UT</i>)		Timing, Scoring and Results (<i>By SAI, Host UT, and NSFs</i>)	
Nomination Criteria and Khelo India Portal (<i>By SAI and NSF</i>)			



Khelo India University Games

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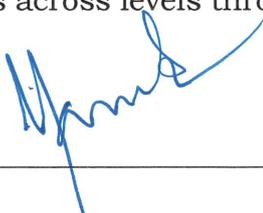
The details are as follows;

S.No.	Name of the Event	Host City / State	Date
1.	Khelo India University Games, 2020	Bhubaneshwar, Odisha	22nd February to 1st March, 2020
2.	Khelo India University Games, 2021	Bengaluru, Karnataka	23rd April to 3rd May 2022
3.	Khelo India University Games, 2022	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	25th May to 3rd June 2023
4.	Khelo India University Games, 2023	Assam and other North-East states	19th to 29th February, 2024
5.	Khelo India University Games, 2025	Rajasthan	24th Nov to 5 th Dec, 2025

Participation, Number of days, Competition Cycle & Ceremonies

The Games will witness an approximate participation of 4000+ athletes from various States and UTs. The Games shall be completed in approximately 8 days (inclusive of the opening ceremony, followed by a competition and closing ceremony).

The KIUG is proposed to be an **annual event**, this will depend on the National Sports Federations (NSFs) / Ad-hoc Committee / Steering committee (where applicable) to conduct events across levels throughout the year.



Sports Discipline

The Games have been conducted in the following competitive Sports Disciplines

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2	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics
3	Badminton	Badminton	Badminton	Badminton	Badminton
4	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball
5	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing	Boxing
6	Fencing	Fencing	Fencing	Fencing	Fencing
7	Football	Football	Football	Football	Football
8	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey
9	Judo	Judo	Judo	Judo	Judo
10	Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Kabaddi
11	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
12	Table Tennis				



13	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis	Tennis
14	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball	Volleyball
15	Weightlifting	Weightlifting	Weightlifting	Weightlifting	Weightlifting
16	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling	Wrestling
17	Rugby	Yogasana	Yogasana	Yogasana	Yogasana
18		Mallakhamb	Mallakhamb	Mallakhamb	Mallakhamb
19		Shooting	Shooting	Shooting	Shooting
20		Karate	Rugby	Rugby	Rugby
21			Rowing		Cycling
22					Kayaking & Canoeing
23					Beach Volleyball

Age Category & Eligibility Criteria:

- The Games shall be conducted in the U-25 **Age category**
- **Individual/Team Sports:** Athletes are nominated by AIU as per the allocated quota.
- State/SAI in collaboration with AIU/NSFs, shall be responsible for conducting the games for all disciplines.
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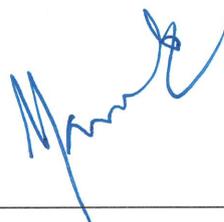
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Host State / UT/Host University		SAI	
Accommodation & Catering	Host City Activation	Media & Communication	Sports Kits
Transportation	Opening Ceremony	Preparation of Games Schedule	Production and Broadcasting
Sports Infrastructure	Venue Overlays	AIU	
Sports Equipment	Medical Services	Kit Sizes for Athletes	Nomination of Athletes
Venue Operations	Volunteers	Athlete Coordination	
Spectator Engagement	Protocol	NSFs / Ad-hoc committee / Steering committee	
Branding & Marketing	Accreditation	Procurement of Kit for TOs and CMs	Provision of TOs and CMs Procurement of Stationery
Design Agency	University Coordination	Technical Conduct of the Games	Provision of SSVs
Joint Responsibility			
Sports Presentation (<i>By SAI, NSF, AIU and Host State/UT</i>)		Timing, Scoring and Results (<i>By SAI, Host State/UT, and NSFs</i>)	
Nomination Criteria and Khelo India Portal (<i>By SAI and AIU</i>)			



Abbreviations

1. EOI – Expression of Interest
2. MYAS – Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
3. SAI – Sports Authority of India
4. NSF – National sports Federations
5. AIU – Association of Indian Universities
6. TO – Technical Officials
7. CM – Competition Manager
8. SSVs – Sports Specific Volunteers

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