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To,
All Affiliated State Units
Athletics Federation of India

Dear All,

Please find attached the **Guidelines for Transfer of Athletes**, issued by the Athletics Federation of India.

You are requested to circulate these guidelines widely among all athletes affiliated with your State Unit and ensure that they are properly informed of the procedure, governing the transfer of athletes from one State Association to another.

All concerned stakeholders are advised to ensure strict compliance with the guidelines. Any request for transfer shall be processed only in accordance with the prescribed guidelines.

Regards



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GUIDELINES FOR TRANSFER OF ATHLETES

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To regulate and streamline the transfer of athletes between State Associations, the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) hereby issues the following Guidelines for the Transfer of Athletes.

With effect from 2019, AFI has made athlete registration mandatory. Only athletes possessing a valid Unique Identification (UID) Number are eligible to participate in competitions through the online entry system. It has been observed that athletes frequently seek transfer from one State to another for the purpose of participation in competitions. Accordingly, these Guidelines are being issued to govern such requests in a transparent and uniform manner.

GUIDELINES

1. Applications for transfer shall be submitted to AFI by email at afi@indianathletics.in.
2. No transfer shall be permitted for a period of two (2) years from the date of generation of the athlete's UID.
3. No transfer shall be permitted during an ongoing competition season.
4. An athlete may apply for transfer only after the completion of the National Competition Calendar.
5. Transfer requests shall be considered only on the following grounds:
 - i. Transfer of employment to another State
 - ii. Transfer of employment of the athlete's parent(s) to another State
 - iii. Educational purposes

6. The athlete must clearly specify the ground for transfer and submit relevant documentary evidence in support of the stated reason.
7. The athlete must submit No Objection Certificates (NOCs) from the current State Association as well as the State Association to which the transfer is requested.
8. The athlete shall apply for NOCs from both the present State Association and the State Association to which the transfer is sought, clearly stating the reasons for requesting the transfer.
9. If either State Association does not issue the NOC within thirty (30) days from the date of application, the athlete may approach the AFI directly for consideration of the transfer request.
10. Transfer shall not be claimed as a matter of right. AFI shall have sole and absolute discretion to approve or reject any request for transfer, and its decision shall be final and binding.

These Guidelines shall come into force with immediate effect and shall apply to all athletes registered with AFI.

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