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To  
The Secretaries,  
State Sports and Games Associations,  
Andhra Pradesh.

Sir,

**Sub:** SAAP - A&SS,T - Implementation of guidelines laid down for  
Development of Sports in the State - Reg.

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Youth affairs and sports

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The government of India had issued the National Sports development code of India in 2011(NSDCI),. The code inter-alia, contains instructions on good governance and transparency in the functioning of sports federations including restriction on age and tenure of the office bearers of the nation Sports federations (NSFs) and Indian Olympic association. The mandatory minimum standards and conditions prescribed in the sports Code apply to the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) as well as all the NSFs. Hence in order to promote good governance & transparency in conducting and developing the Sports activity in State, the following guidelines furnished here under:

- I. The State Sports and Games Association should have a legal status as a voluntary registered body, under societies act not being a proprietary concern or partnership firm and should exist and function for the sole purpose of the development of that discipline of the sports whose name it bears.
- II. The State Sports and Games Association should have an exhaustive written constitution in unambiguous terms providing for its efficient functioning, in particular, election of the Office bearers , truly representative character of the general Body, protection of the interest of players, promotion of the Game, maintenance and audit of accounts, moving of no confidence resolution etc.
- III. The State Sports and Games Association must have actively existed for more than three years
- IV. President, Secretary & treasurer are office Bearers as per Sports Code. No office bearer of a State Sports and Games Association shall hold office simultaneously, in any other State Sports and Games Associations, excepting the Indian Olympic Association. The age & tenure restrictions for President, Secretary & Treasurer are as follows:-

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- a) President can hold office for three terms with or without break.
  - b) Secretary & treasurer can hold office for two consecutive terms after which a cooling off of four years is required before re-election,
  - c) All the three will demit office on attaining 70 years of age.
- V. No government servant shall, except with the previous sanction of the government, hold an elective office, or canvas for a candidate or candidates for an elective office, in any body, whether incorporated or not. Also, no Government servant should be allowed to hold elective office in any sports association/federation for a term of more than 4 years or for one term, whichever is less.
- VI. Officers or other employees of the sports Ministry and organizations under its administrative control are debarred from holding an elective office in state sports federations/ association.
- VII. The State Sports and Games Association should have affiliated Units in at least 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of total Districts of AP.
- VIII. Only one District Association from each District shall be admitted as a member of the State Sports and Games Association, provided it has a minimum of 50% of the Mandal level Association affiliated to it.
- IX. Inclusion of prominent sportsperson of outstanding merit as members of the respective State Sports and Games Association on a tenure basis.
- X. The State Sports and Games Association shall comply with all conditions like anti-doping code, prevention of age fraud code, citizenship criteria for selection of national team, prevention of sexual harassment, etc..
2. Government has since applied the provisions of NSDCI to the State level Sports Associations, non-compliance of the guidelines entitle suspension/ withdrawal of recognition of the State Sports and Games Association (SS&GA) consequent to which the SS&GA become ineligible to receive financial and other assistance under various schemes of the Government. However, it is felt that the efforts of Good government and ethical practices is defeated unless the affiliated units of SS&GA i.e., State Sports associations are also compliant with such provisions.
3. It has been brought to the notice that almost all the State Sports and Games Association are not adhering to good governance provisions in
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the absence of such instructions and laws. As a result, State/ District level sports bodies are run as fiefdom of a few people.

And all the State Sports and Games Association are informed that the Government only deals with recognized State Sports and Games Association (SS&GA). It does not deal with District level associations including State Olympic Associations.

The Government does not interfere in their day to day affairs. In order to bring in transparency and Good governance in the State Sports some of the major features of SS&GA are furnished hereunder:

- I. The president of any recognised SS&GA, including the State Olympic Association(APOA) can hold the office for a maximum period of Twelve years with or without break.
- II. The secretary and the treasurer of any organized SS&GA, including the APOA, may serve a maximum of two successive terms of Four years each after which minimum cooling off period of Four years will apply to seek fresh election to either post.

The President, the secretary and the treasurer of any recognized SS&GA, including the APOA, shall cease to hold that post on attaining the age of 70 years. (Hon'ble Delhi High court has upheld the validity of sports code vide judgment dated 9.05.2014 in W.P.(C) no.2310/2012).

Hence, all the state Games and Sports Associations have been advised to take necessary steps to ensure good governance and transparency in the functioning of the State /District Level associations including the state Olympic association.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,



VICE CHAIRMAN AND  
MANAGING DIRECTOR

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