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Government of India/ भारत सरकार

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports/ युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय

(Department of Sports)/ (खेल विभाग)

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नेताजी नगर, अफ्रीका एवेन्यू रोड, नई दिल्ली – 110023.
दिनांक: 29th अक्टूबर, 2026.

To

President/ Secretary General,
Indian Olympic Association,
Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutab Institutional Area,
New Delhi-110016.

Subject: Participation of Indian Contingent in the 4th Youth Olympic Games, 2026 to be held in Dakar, Senegal from 31st October, 2026 to 13th November, 2026-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Indian Olympic Association (IOA)'s letter No. IOA/Sec-III/4th YOG-2026/3330 dated 13.10.2026, seeking political clearance of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for participation of Indian Contingent in 4th Youth Olympic Games, 2026 and to convey the approval of the Competent Authority for the participation of Indian Contingent comprising 35 members, including 17 athletes (6 male & 11 female), 15 Coaches/ supporting staff, including 3 Contingent staff, for competing in 11 disciplines at the 4th Youth Olympic Games, 2026 to be held in Dakar, Senegal from 31st October, 2026 to 13th November, 2026. The list indicating number of Indian athletes and Team Officials which includes coaches, support staff, medical staff, contingent officials etc., is placed below:

S. No.	Discipline	Athletes			Officials			Grand Total
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
1.	Archery	0	1	1	1	0	1	2
2.	Athletics	0	1	1	1	0	1	2
3.	Badminton	1	1	2	1	1	2	4
4.	Boxing	1	1	2	1	1	2	4
5.	Equestrian	1	0	1	1	0	1	2
6.	Judo	0	1	1	1	0	1	2
7.	Sailing	0	1	1	0	1	1	2
8.	Swimming	1	1	2	1	0	1	3
9.	Table Tennis	0	1	1	0	2	2	3
10.	Beach Wrestling	2	2	4	2	0	2	6
11.	Wushu Taolu	0	1	1	1	0	1	2
12.	Contingent Staff (CDM & Medical)	0	0	0	2	1	3	3
Grand Total		**6**	**11**	**17**	**12**	**6**	**18**	**35**

2. The name-wise details of Indian sportspersons approved for participation are given in **Annexure-I**. Name-wise details of Team Officials which includes coaches, support staff, medical staff, contingent officials etc. are at **Annexure-II**. The Indian contingent in the 4th Youth Olympic Games, 2026 are approved at no cost to Government.

3. IOA shall ensure adequate availability of female support staff, such as Doctors, Physiotherapists, etc. for the welfare and assistance of female athletes in disciplines where such female support staff are not included in the discipline-wise contingent.

4. National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA), SAI and concerned NSFs may take appropriate measures for conducting the dope tests. Concerned NSFs may also ensure medical fitness of the team/ individual sportspersons prior to their departure.

5. Section 9 of Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010 provides inter alia that no member of a Legislature, Office bearer of a political party, judge, Government servant or employee of any corporation shall accept any foreign hospitality without the prior permission of the Central Government. In case any team member is covered under the above Act, he/she should obtain the prior permission from Ministry of Home Affairs before his/her departure to Dakar, Senegal.

6. For Foreign Exchange, SAI may contact any authorized agencies dealing in Foreign Exchange as per enforced rules and regulations.

7. Such of the team-members who might be Central Government servants are to be treated as on duty (which include deputation abroad) in respect of this participation by the Department/Office in which they are employed in terms of Department of Personnel and Training O.M. No. 6/2/85-Estt (Pay-I) dated 30.1.1989. The NSFs should inform their Department/ Office accordingly.

8. It is requested that the Ambassador of India in Dakar and the Organizers of the event may please be informed about the travel plans and itinerary of the Indian contingent.

9. In view of the disappearance of some officials/sportspersons in the foreign countries in the past, this Ministry is of the view that the backgrounds/antecedents of the members/officials may be checked properly by NSFs concerned.

10. A detailed report on the visit of the team along with its performance/ achievements and action photographs, CDs etc. may please be submitted to the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, within 30 days of return of the team to India.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

29/10/26

(Harikumar M)
Director

Copy to:

1. Director General, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
2. Director General, National Anti-Doping Agency, JLN Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
3. CEO (TOPS), Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
4. Head of TAGG Division, Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
5. ED (TEAMS), Sports Authority of India, JLN Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
6. Concerned National Sports Federations
7. Embassy of India in Dakar, Senegal
8. Ministry of External Affairs, Central and West Africa Division
9. Chief Media and Communication, Department of Sports, MYAS.
10. Guard File

Copy also to: Technical Director, NIC with request to upload on website of this Ministry.

Annexure-I

List of sportspersons approved for participation in 4th Youth Olympic Games 2026

S. No.	Name	Gender	Discipline
1.	GATHA ANANDRAO KHADAKE	Female	Archery
2.	SHOURYA AVINASH AMBURE	Female	Athletics
3.	TANVI PATRI	Female	Badminton
4.	DEV RUPARELIA	Male	
5.	GUNJAN	Female	Boxing
6.	AMBEKAR MEETEI LAIRENLAKPAM	Male	
7.	SRESHT RAJU MANTENA	Male	Equestrian
8.	KHUSHBU RAJAKBHAI DARJADA	Female	Judo
9.	PRIYANSHI MAYUR PATIL	Female	Sailing
10.	DHINIDHI DESINGHU	Female	Swimming
11.	TIRHANK PEGU	Male	
12.	SYNDRELA DAS	Female	Table Tennis
13.	ANTRA	Female	Beach Wrestling
14.	TANIYA	Female	
15.	ANUJ	Male	
16.	DEEPANSHU KHOKHAR	Male	
17.	LANCHENBI CHANU RAJKUMARI	Female	Wushu Taolu

Annexure-II

List of Team Officials approved for participation in 4th Youth Olympic Games 2026

S. No.	Name	Gender	Function/ Role	Discipline
1.	RANJEET RAJENDRA CHAMLE	Male	Coach	Archery
2.	AHMED JAWAD HASSAN THECHERY	Male	Coach	Athletics
3.	UMENDRA SINGH RANA	Male	Coach	Badminton
4.	VAISHNAVI NISHIKANT DHAMNE	Female	Physio (Additional Team Official)	
5.	GEETA CHANU OINAM	Female	Coach	Boxing
6.	VIJAY KUMAR SHARMA	Male	Coach (Additional Team Official)	
7.	SANJAY SINGH	Male	Coach	Equestrian
8.	SATISH KRISHNARAO PAHADE	Male	Coach	Judo
9.	MEENU DAHIYA JOHAL	Female	Coach cum Manager	Sailing
10.	SANDEEP SEJWAL	Male	Coach	Swimming
11.	MAMATA PRABHU	Female	Coach	Table Tennis
12.	MANSI SHEKHAR BHANDARI	Female	Physio (Additional Team Official)	
13.	SIKANDER ANTIL	Male	Coach	Beach Wrestling
14.	VISHAL KUMAR RAI	Male	Physio (Additional Team Official)	
15.	SACHIDANANDA MAYANGLAMBAM	Male	Coach	Wushu Taolu

List of Contingent Staff

S. No.	Name	Gender	Role
1.	OM PRAKASH SINGH KARHANA	Male	Chef de Mission
2.	Dr. SANTOSH SINGH PUYAM	Male	Doctor (SAI)
3.	RIDHI SAINI	Female	Physio, SAI (Additional Team Official)

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