

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF INDIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION

held on Monday, 3rd of June, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
at WZ-78, First Floor, Todapur Village, New Delhi

Members Present: List appended separately.

1. **Welcome:** The Secretary General informed the House sad news was received today regarding sudden demise of G. Parthiban, Former Weightlifting Coach of Sports Authority of India, Puducherry. The House paid tribute to Late G. Parthiban and observed silence of 2 minute in the House.

The Secretary General informed the House that Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya, President, Indian Weightlifting Federation has been nominated to Rajya Sabha for another term 2019-2025 from Assam. The entire House congratulated the President for his new success.

In absence of President, Indian Weightlifting Federation, the Secretary General invited Shri D. Chandrahas Rai, Vice President on the dais and Chair the Meeting.

The Secretary General informed the House that Shri B. Venkatramaiah, Hony. Secretary, Shri K. Suryanarayana, Vice President and Shri M. Ramkoteswara Rao has sent email to the office regarding their absence from the Special Executive Committee Meeting at New Delhi.

Shri D. Chandrahas Rai told the Secretary General took up the Agenda items one by one. The Secretary General announced the Agenda of the Meeting as under:-

Item No. 1: Confirmation of Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting held at Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh) on 22nd February 2019:-

The Secretary General informed the House that Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting held at Visakhapatnam on 22nd February 2019 was circulated to all the members on 31st May 2019 by email and post. All the members have confirmed the receipt of the Minutes and passed it unanimously. After deliberations, the entire House unanimously passed the Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting held at Visakhapatnam on 22nd February 2019.

Proposed by:-

Shri Sunil Elangbam, Vice President,
Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri Narayan Sahu and Shri Abraham
Techi, Vice Presidents, Indian
Weightlifting Federation

Item No. 2: Discussions and measures to be adopted on controlling and curbing the doping menace in the sport of weightlifting:-

The Secretary General informed the House that rising dope cases in the sport of weightlifting is a major concern for Indian Weightlifting Federation. In yester years,



Indian Weightlifting Federation has been able to eradicate the monster of doping from the sport of weightlifting successfully by its concerted efforts and with the co-operation of National Anti-Doping Agency, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and Sports Authority of India by doing extensive sampling at State and National level. In older editions of Youth, Junior and Senior National Weightlifting Federation it was made practice by National Anti-Doping Agency to take samples of all medal winners and pick one random sample in each body weight category which has resulted in strict vigil and fear amongst athletes. But from last 2 years the entire practice of sampling has been changed and irregular sampling has resulted in increasing dope amongst athletes as they are not afraid of using prohibited substances due to less dope sampling during Youth, Junior and Senior National Weightlifting Championships.

Of late, during last Edition of 14th Youth (Sub-Junior Boys & Girls) / 55th Men & 31st Women Junior National Weightlifting Championships-2018-19 at Nagpur, Maharashtra from 14-22 December 2018 and further in 71st Men's and 34th Women's Senior National Weightlifting Championships-2018-19 at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh from 21st to 28th February, 2019 witness as many as 24 dope positive cases. These cases came into the picture due to lack of coordination with National Anti-Doping Agency wherein they failed to collect suitable amount of samples in State Championships and Departmental Games from where the athletes got selected to represent their States and Units during Youth, Junior and Senior National Weightlifting Championships. Such cases are now widely reported in electronic and print media both at National and International level and are collecting adverse publicity for Indian Weightlifting Federation.

The Secretary General informed the House that it is now peak time and we all should come forward and take stringent measures to control the doping from the grassroot level and clean our sport from the lowest level.

The Secretary General told the House to come up with suggestion for cleaning up the environment for healthy sporting competition at District, State and National level. The Secretary General suggested to mandatorily conduct Educational Awareness Seminar on Anti-Doping by all affiliated States and Departmental Boards atleast once a year for promotion of DOPE FREE sport by all athletes – Youth, Junior and Senior. All the members have agreed upon the proposal and will send the pertinent information to the Federation office about venue and date for conducting of Awareness Seminars in their States with maximum participation of Youth and Junior athletes. The Federation will then write to National Anti-Doping Agency to conduct the Anti-Doping Awareness program in all States across India.

The Secretary General further informed the House that a bigger challenge of Age Fraud in sport of weightlifting is to be curtailed effectively otherwise the game will deteriorate and athletes with right age parameter are bound to suffer either by leaving the sport or by copying the ill practices of other athletes which include doping. It is imperative to adopt the practice of issuing of Athlete ID Cards at State Level also. State Associations have been advised to send proper documents like aadhar card, school certificate and birth certificate along with one passport size photograph and other basic details of its athletes to the Federation office for maintaining a database and issuance of State ID Cards which will be provided at a subsidized cost of Rs. 300/- per card which is mandatory for participation of athletes during State Championships and Departmental Games. Further



it was decided that athletes who will be issued **STATE ID CARDS** by the Federation, when entered into the National Championships will be issued **NATIONAL ID CARDS** at a subsidized rate of Rs. 500/- per card (*as against Rs. 800/- for new inductees*) as and when the athlete will be entered in the National Championships by the State Association. Without the State Card issued by Indian Weightlifting Federation, no athlete will eligible to participate in the State Championships and Departmental Games. All State Associations and Departments are advised to send the Weigh-in Sheet after conclusion of their Events to the Federation office for observing compliance. Such athletes who have once registered at the State / Department Level are not eligible to initiate Age Fraud at National level.

After deliberations, the entire House unanimously approved above proposals and resolved that no athlete in any State will be eligible to participate in State Competitions without issuance of ID Cards to be made by Indian Weightlifting Federation and is to be made effective from the year 2019-20 in all States and Departments.

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Shri Narayan Sahu,
Shri Abraham Techi,
Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting
Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri N.P.S. Chauhan and Shri S. Udaya
Kumar, Jt. Secretaries, Indian
Weightlifting Federation
Shri Kamaldeep Singh and Shri Ravi
Sharma, Executive Members, Indian
Weightlifting Federation

The Secretary General further informed the House that there are 37 dope cases reported in the sport of weightlifting during 2018 and 2019 and Federation has to comply with its Anti-Doping Policy which literally meant that **following States and Boards will face BAN of one year besides normal penalty and will not be able to participate in National Weightlifting Championships or they can opt for penalty clause as per Article 2 d) of Anti-Doping Policy of Indian Weightlifting Federation.**

The States / Departments who have been reported with 2 or more dope positive cases in a calendar year are as under:-

1. Punjab	6 cases
2. Haryana	3 cases
3. Karnataka	2 cases
4. Railway Sports Promotion Board	3 cases
5. Services Sports Control Board	3 cases

The above States and Departments are not eligible to participate during 15th Youth (Sub-Junior Boys & Girls) / 56th Men & 32nd Women Junior National Weightlifting Championships-2019-20 at Bodh Gaya, Bihar from 13-22 October 2019 and 72nd Men's and 35th Women's Senior National Weightlifting Championships-2019-20 at Kolkata, West Bengal from 2nd to 8th February, 2020 and were imposed a fine of Rs. 50,000/- and BAN of 1 year from the date of last athlete found positive of respective States and Departments. The suspension will be lifted after expiry of one year with a fine of Rs. 50,000/- **OR States and Departments can opt for immediate revoking of BAN by paying a fine of Rs. 1,00,000/- two months before the start of Bodh Gaya Youth and**



Junior Weightlifting Championships for States and two months before the start of Kolkata Senior Weightlifting Championships for Departments.

The individual fine of athlete as per Anti-Doping Policy of Indian Weightlifting Federation will be paid within 30 days after outcome of 'B' sample report of the athlete to be recoverable through State Association / Departmental Board.

After deliberations, the entire House unanimously approved the decision as per Anti-Doping Policy of Indian Weightlifting Federation.

The Secretary General informed the House that in order to further curtail the doping from the sport of weightlifting, it is imperative that Indian Weightlifting Federation to access the **Whereabout Information of registered athletes of the State and Departments who are probables for participation during Youth, Junior and Senior National Weightlifting Championships** as per practice adopted by International Weightlifting Federation. The Whereabout Information of athletes will give a firm grip to Indian Weightlifting Federation to chalk out the malpractices adopted by athletes by using shortcuts and take adverse medicines. After deliberations, the entire House unanimously approved for submission of Whereabout Information of probable athletes as per details below:-

- All State Association must send **Whereabout Information of Youth and Junior athletes on or before 14th August 2019 to Indian Weightlifting Federation secretariat office.**
- All State Associations and Departments must send **Whereabout Information of Senior athletes on or before 2nd November 2019 to Indian Weightlifting Federation secretariat office.**

After deliberations, the entire House unanimously resolved that only those athletes will be eligible to participate in 15th Youth (Sub-Junior Boys & Girls) / 56th Men & 32nd Women Junior National Weightlifting Championships-2019-20 at Bodh Gaya, Bihar from 13-22 October 2019 and 72nd Men's and 35th Women's Senior National Weightlifting Championships-2019-20 at Kolkata, West Bengal from 2nd to 8th February, 2020 who will send their Whereabout Information to Indian Weightlifting Federation on dates as mentioned above.

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Shri Narayan Sahu,
Shri Abraham Techi,
Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri N.P.S. Chauhan and Shri S. Udaya Kumar, Jt. Secretaries, Indian Weightlifting Federation
Shri Kamaldeep Singh and Shri Ravi Sharma, Executive Members, Indian Weightlifting Federation

The Secretary General further informed the House that two Junior athletes have pleaded innocence and submitted a written application to Indian Weightlifting Federation for probing the adverse analytical findings of their respective cases and leveled charges against their Personal Coach. The Federation had formed a three member Inquiry Committee headed by Shri Pal Singh Sandhu, Dronacharya Awardee and Dr. Arun



Mendiratta, Member – Medical and Anti-Doping Commission, Indian Olympic Association and Shri Rajneesh Bhaskar, Advocate as its members. The Federation is awaiting the Report of the Inquiry Committee and will act upon strictly after receipt of Inquiry Committee report.

The entire House suggested that the recommendations of Inquiry Committee to be followed totally and give severe punishment to the persons involved in doping.

The Secretary General further informed the House that some of the athletes have also made complaints against a fellow athlete who encouraged them to take certain medicines in pretext of dope free supplements. The entire House empowered the Secretary General to made thorough inquiry in the case and punish such athlete who has corrupted his fellow sportsmen by encouraging them to use prohibited substances.

All the members proposed the Secretary General to send a detailed circular amongst all affiliated States and Departments to comply with the directives of Indian Weightlifting Federation with regard to sending of information for Anti-Doping Awareness Seminar of NADA, preparation of State ID Cards and Whereabout Information. The Secretary General apprised the House that it will be issued from Indian Weightlifting Federation in a day or two.

Item No. 3: Any other business with permission of Chair:-

The Secretary General informed the House that during last Executive Committee Meeting held at Visakhapatnam on 22nd February 2019, it was decided to revise the minimum qualifying standard for participation during forthcoming Youth, Junior and Senior National Weightlifting Championships. Accordingly, the Federation has empowered Shri Pal Singh Sandhu, Dronacharya Awardee, Former National Coach to give his recommendation on the new qualification criteria, which is being presented in the House for consideration.

Youth Boys										
Wt. Cat.	49	55	61	67	73	81	89	96	102	102
Snatch	62	66	80	85	88	85	90	85	90	90
C&J	85	96	103	118	115	110	110	110	115	116
Total	147	162	183	203	203	195	200	195	205	206
Youth Girls										
Wt. Cat.	40	45	49	55	59	64	71	76	81	81
Snatch	27	35	50	52	50	45	43	46	48	48
C&J	37	47	62	63	60	55	55	58	57	58
Total	64	82	112	115	110	100	98	104	105	106
Junior Men										
Wt. Cat.	55	61	67	73	81	89	96	102	109	109
Snatch	84	90	95	100	105	106	106	100	100	100
C&J	112	120	130	130	135	136	137	135	132	133
Total	196	210	225	230	240	242	243	235	232	233



Junior Women										
Wt. Cat.	45	49	55	59	64	71	76	81	87	87
Snatch	47	51	55	58	60	58	59	61	55	57
C&J	64	69	75	76	79	79	79	78	78	78
Total	111	120	130	134	139	137	138	139	133	135
Senior Men										
Wt. Cat.	55	61	67	73	81	89	96	102	109	109
Snatch	90	94	99	105	107	111	118	120	121	127
C&J	112	119	125	129	132	137	145	147	150	155
Total	202	213	224	234	239	248	263	267	271	282
Senior Women										
Wt. Cat.	45	49	55	59	64	71	76	81	87	87
Snatch	47	50	55	55	58	60	62	64	66	66
C&J	65	68	75	76	79	82	87	90	91	92
Total	112	118	130	131	137	142	149	154	157	158

If any State Association does not qualify with the minimum starting weight in any weight category whatsoever, such State Associations will be allowed with 1 WILD Card Entry, each in Men and Women section. He / She should be their BEST ATHLETE, like to improve and for gaining competition experience.

After deliberations, the entire House unanimously approved to revise the minimum qualifying standard as above.

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The Chairman informed the House to stay back for the lunch to be served in the secretariat office.





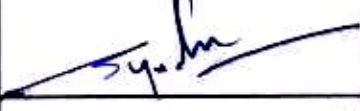

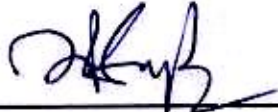
As there is no other business to be transacted, the Meeting ended concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair.






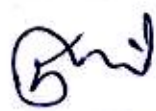

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Secretary General

Encl. as above.

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S.No.	Name	Designation	Signature
1	Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya	President	
2	Shri D. Chandrahas Rai	Vice President	
3	Shri Tara Singh	Vice President	
4	Shri Sunil Elangbam	Vice President	
5	Shri K. Suryanarayana	Vice President	
6	Shri Narayan Sahu	Vice President	
7	Shri Paramjit Singh	Vice President	
8	Shri Abraham Techii	Vice President	
9	Shri Sahdev Yadav	Secretary General	
11	Shri Naresh Sharma	Treasurer	
12	Shri B. Venkatramaiah	Hony. Secretary	
13	Shri N.P.S. Chauhan	Jt. Secretary	
14	Shri Jayesh Naik	Jt. Secretary	

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15	Shri S. Udaya Kumar	Jt. Secretary	
16	Shri M. Ramkoteswara Rao	Executive Member	
17	Shri Kamaldeep Singh	Executive Member	
18	Shri Ravi Sharma	Executive Member	
19	Shri Vijay Baghel	Associate Vice President	
20	Shri Pon. Robert Singh	Associate Vice President	
21	Shri Chandan Roy Choudhary	Associate Vice President	
22	Shri Bhabajyoti Goswami	Associate Vice President	
23	Shri Sunil Kumar	Associate Vice President	
24	Shri Pal Singh Sandhu, Dronacharya Awardee	By Special Invitation	
25	Shri Rajneesh Bhaskar, Advocate	By Special Invitation	