भारतीय भारोत्तोलन संघ **Indian Weightlifting Federation**

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All affiliated States / Units and Executive Members of Indian Weightlifting Federation

Sub: Participation of athletes during 73rd Men and 36th Women Senior National Weightlifting Championships-2020-2021 and 16th National Youth (Sub-Junior Boys & Girls) and 57th Men and 33rd Women Junior National Weightlifting Championships-2020-21 at Sports Authority of India, Netaji Subhash National Institute of Sports, Patiala from 9-13 August 2021 due to COVID-19 situation.

Dear All,

Indian Weightlifting Federation will be conducting all 3 Editions of Senior, Junior and Youth National Weightlifting Championships-2020-21 collectively at Sports Authority of India, Netaji Subhash National Institute of Sports, Patiala from 9-13 August 2021 due to COVID-19 situation in the Country. The competition will have to be completed within 3 days time and it is imperative for all affiliated States and Units for their utmost co-operation in successful and safe conduct of the National Weightlifting Championships due to ongoing COVID-19 situation which will affect each other's health during larger gatherings. The priority of Indian Weightlifting Federation is to safeguard the health of its athletes and would like to request your kind cooperation by bringing only those athletes to the National Championships who will be eligible to participate in International competitions abroad with good entry total standards.

Keeping in the mind the exception of COVID-19 situation in the Country it is our earnest duty to restrict the participation of athletes to bare minimum for this year. Accordingly, the minimum qualifying standard will be raised for this year National Championships and there will also be restriction on number of team officials allowed per State & Department, i.e. 2 team officials only.

The participants who have been vaccinated with 2 doses will bring along COVID-19 vaccination certificate issued by Government of India whereas other participants who have not been fully vaccinated with 2 doses must bring RT-PCR negative test report to be done 72 hours prior to their arrival at Patiala, a mandatory clause for participation during the Championships for athletes, team officials and technical officials.

Please note that all Departmental Boards have to arrange for their own Boarding & Lodging outside. DEPARTMENTAL BOARDS ARE ALSO BOUND BY OBLIGATION OF PRODUCING RT-PCR TEST REPORT (SAMPLE TAKEN WITHIN 72 HOURS OF THEIR ARRIVAL AT PATIALA) / 2 DOSES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE FOR ENTRY INTO THE VENUE OF THE COMPETITION WITHOUT ANY EXCEPTION.

Those States who did not qualify with minimum qualifying criteria in any event can enter 1 wild card in Senior Men, Senior Women, Junior Men, Junior Women, Youth Boys and Youth Girls event. Such States must bring their 6 athletes to compete during the Championships. The detailed circular will follow soon.

Yours Sincerely,

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