All India Sports Council of the Deaf

SELECTION POLICY

FOR INTERNATIONAL EXPOSURE OF THE INDIAN DEAF ATHLETICS TEAM

For Upcoming 02nd U20 World Deaf Athletics Championships 2027 on August 23 to 25, 2027 and **06th World Deaf Athletics Championships 2027** on August 26 to September 01, 2027 at Sao Paulo, Brazil conducted by ICSD during the Calendar Year 2027

1. Asian-Level Competitions

- The selection benchmark shall be equivalent to the **Top 3 positions** in the corresponding event at the previous edition of the same Asian-level competition.
- If three athletes achieve performances equivalent to the **1st-place standard**, all three may be eligible for selection.
- If two athletes achieve performances equivalent to the **1st- and 2nd-place standards**, both may be eligible for selection.
- If three athletes achieve performances equivalent to the **2nd- and 3rd-place standards**, only the **two highest-ranked athletes** shall be eligible for selection.
- If three athletes achieve performances equivalent to the **3rd-place standard**, only the **highest-ranked athlete** shall be eligible for selection.
- Final selection shall remain subject to applicable competition-entry limits and approval by the competent authority.

2. World-Level Competitions

- For the Deaflympics and World Deaf Athletics Championships, the selection benchmark shall be equivalent to the **Top 3 positions** in the corresponding event at the previous edition of the same competition.
- If three athletes achieve qualifying performances equivalent to the **Top 3 positions**, all three may be eligible for selection.
- Final selection shall remain subject to applicable competition-entry limits and approval by the competent authority.

3. Performance Assessment

- Selection shall be based on measurable performance: timings in track events and distances/heights in field events.
- Recent verified performances, national championship results and current form shall be considered.
- Official results of the previous corresponding international competition shall be used to establish event-wise qualifying standards.
- Performance standards and trial dates shall be notified before the selection process.

4. Selection Trials

- Participation in the notified selection trials shall be compulsory.
- Trials shall be conducted transparently under standardised conditions, with authenticated results.
- Any exception shall require valid reasons and approval by the competent authority.

5. Relay Team Selection

- Relay selection shall consider verified timings in the relevant 100m, 200m and 400m events, relay suitability and overall team performance.
- An athlete seeking selection for the **4×100m relay must participate in the 100m trial**, and an athlete seeking selection for the **4×400m relay must participate in the 400m trial**.
- Athletes seeking relay selection in addition to another sprint event must participate in the relevant relay-event trial.
- Final relay composition and reserve athletes shall be decided by the selection committee based on documented performance and technical grounds.

6. Eligibility and Fitness

- Athletes must satisfy Indian citizenship, applicable ICSD deafness eligibility, age, registration and competition-entry requirements.
- A valid passport, prescribed medical fitness and compliance with anti-doping regulations shall be mandatory.

7. Selection Committee

- Selection shall be recommended by an authorised committee constituted by the competent authority.
- The committee shall examine trial results, performance records, eligibility and event-wise standards and record its recommendations.

8. Final Team and Reserve List

- The final team shall comply with the competition's entry limits and eligibility rules.
- A merit-based reserve list shall be prepared wherever practicable. Replacements due to injury, withdrawal or ineligibility shall be documented and approved.

9. Transparency and Review

- Selection criteria, qualifying standards and trial results shall be documented and communicated through the authorised channel.
- Representations concerning procedural errors or incorrect results may be considered under a notified review procedure.

10. Approval and Implementation

- The policy shall come into force after approval by the competent authority.
- Event-wise standards and operational guidelines shall be issued as an annexure and reviewed for each international competition.