Dy. Director General



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To,

The ACS/PS/Secretary (Sports), All States & UTs

<u>Sub: Emphasis on Age Verification of Players Participating in Khelo India Youth Games, Maharashtra, 2019</u>

Reference is made to our even letter no. dated 29th Oct 2018 in regard to Conduct of Khelo India Youth Games, Maharashtra, 2019.

- 2. As you are aware that Khelo India Youth Games, Maharashtra, 2019 is scheduled to be held at Pune from 09 Jan -20 Jan 2019 in the age categories of U-17 and U-21, one of the major issues of concern is the Over-Age Fraud.
- 3. With a view to eliminate age fraud in sports, and ensuring fair play, sincere effort is required in strengthening ethics and fight against any form of cheating in sports by conducting Clean Games. As a counter measure against age fraud stringent action has to be taken against the defaulters. During the Games, on a random basis TW3 Test for Age Verification will be carried out on the Athletes. If a State/UT allows over-age players to participate in the Khelo India Youth Games, Maharashtra, 2019, that State/UT would not be eligible to participate in the next edition of the Games. If a medal winner is found to be over age, his/her medal will be withdrawn and he/she will be debarred from further participation in the Games.
- 4. In order to curtail the issue of over age players participating in the games, while fielding a team from the State, the State should ensure bonafide of each athlete being confirmed by them.
- 5. You are requested to emphasise on the Age Verification process of the players representing your State in Khelo India Youth Games, Maharashtra, 2019 for conduct of Fair Games.

Yours Sincerely,

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