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## **ALL THE AFFILIATED STATE UNITS – AFI**

### **Sub: 36<sup>th</sup> National Junior Athletics Championships, 2021**

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that 36<sup>th</sup> National Junior Athletics Championships will be organized by Assam Athletics Association at **Sarjusarai Stadium NH, Nalapara Road, Nalapara, Sarusajai, Guwahati, Assam - 781040** from **February 06-10, 2021**. The various details of the Championships are as under:

#### **Age Groups & Age Brackets**

Boys & Girls (Under 14): Born between 11-02-2007 & 10-02-2009

Boys & Girls (Under 16): Born between 11-02-2005 & 10-02-2007

Boys & Girls (Under 18): Born between 11-02-2003 & 10-02-2005

Boys & Girls (Under 20): Born between 11-02-2001 & 10-02-2003

**An Athlete below 12 years as on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 will not be eligible to participate.**

#### **Reckoning of Age**

The age of athletes will be reckoned as on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021. In other words, an athlete should be in his/her age group on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

#### **No. of Entries each State can send**

Boys & Girls - Under 20, 18 & 16 years

- Two entries per event

Boys & Girls - Under 14 years

- Only one entry per event

**No reserve entry will be accepted.**

### **No. of Events, an athlete can participate**

#### **Boys & Girls Under 20 Yrs**

An athlete can participate in two individual events. No relay events will be conducted in this championship.

#### **Boys & Girls Under 18 Yrs., 16 Yrs. & 14 Yrs.**

- (a) An athlete can participate in two individual events.
- (b) If the two individual events are track events, one of these individual events may be longer than 200m.
- (c) An athlete can participate in his/her own age group only.

### **Events to be conducted**

The list of events to be conducted is enclosed. No relay event will be conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Proof of Age**

The following documents will be accepted as proof of age:

#### **(a) Athletes below 14 years and 16 years.**

Certificate issued by "Birth & Death" Registration office of a Municipal Corporation / Nagar Palika / Mahapalika / District / Village Panchayat/10<sup>th</sup> Standard Certificate.

#### **(b) Athletes above 16 years**

10<sup>th</sup> Standard certificate or equivalent issued by a recognized State/Central Education Board/Birth Certificate.

- (c) Athletes, who have not gone to School at all should bring Birth Certificate from Municipality/Corporation etc. Athletes, who are drop outs, should bring birth certificate and also School Leaving Certificate, showing date of birth from the School he/she last attended.

### **Age Verification**

AFI Age Verification Committee and a team of doctors will be present to verify the age of athletes. The decisions taken by the Committee about the age of an athlete will be final. Age Verification Committee will check all athletes on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at competition venue. No athlete can participate without Age Verification check.

It is mandatory to produce original proof of date of birth before the Age Verification Committee / Team of Doctors, without which athletes may not be allowed to participate. All athletes should, therefore, be advised to bring with them original certificate as proof of age. **Date of birth certificates in vernacular must be accompanied by an attested English/Hindi translation duly attested by a Gazetted Officer.**

### **Procedure for sending Entries**

The entries have to be submitted "ONLINE" on AFI Website from **10<sup>th</sup> January 2021 by the respective State/UT Units latest by 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**. Entry sent by Email or otherwise will not be accepted. The entry standard already circulated by the federation should be kept in mind while sending the entry. In no case, athletes having not achieved the entry standard should be entered. The entry standard is available on AFI website [www.indianathletics.in](http://www.indianathletics.in).

### **Entry Fee**

The entry fee of **INR 50/- per event**, per athlete is to be paid "Online" along with the entry.

### **Last Date of Entry**

The last date for receipt of online entries is **25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**.

### **Dope Test**

Dope Test will be conducted by National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) during the Championships.

### **Banned Athletes**

All the State/UT Secretaries should ensure that they do not include names of athletes, who have been banned by AFI for participation in Junior Meets, due to Overage or Dope.

### **Participation Certificates**

Participation Certificates will be issued to only those athletes, who actually participate and perform as per the entry standard laid down by the Federation. The Managers/Coaches may, therefore, be advised to collect the Participation Certificates from AFI Officials at the venue of the Championships.

### **Boarding & Lodging**

It may also be noted that Boarding and Lodging facilities to Athletes/Managers/Coaches will not be provided by the Organizers due to COVID – 19 pandemic. The participating states will therefore have to make their own arrangements in this regard.

**It may please be noted that Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) prepared by AFI and other guidelines issued by the concerned State Government in connection with COVID – 19 pandemic are strictly followed to ensure that the competition is conducted smoothly.**

Separate SOP in this regard will also be issued by the Organising State Association and participating State Units should adhere the same for the safety of Athletes/Officials. **Any Athlete/Official found violating the SOP/Guidelines issued in regard to Covid – 19 will be debarred from participation in this Championships.**

Your cooperation for the smooth and successful conduct of this prestigious Championships is solicited.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ravinder Chaudhry". The signature is written in a cursive style with a distinct flourish at the end.

**Ravinder Chaudhry**  
**Secretary, AFI**

**CC: 1. Chairman Technical Committee, AFI**