



# 26th All India Forest Sports Meet, Panchkula

## ALL INDIA FOREST SPORTS MEET (AIFSM) RULES

### 1. Short Title: -

These Rules will be called "All India Forest Sports Meet Rules 2009"

### 2. Objectives: -

The All India Forest Sports Meet is aimed at promoting sports and games activities among the staff and officers of the Forest Departments/ Organizations/ Institutions of the States, Union Territories and the Central Government, and thereby nurturing good health, team spirit and camaraderie among them.

### 3. Definitions: -

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| (1) | Sports   | Sports will include all the sports and games events included in the Meet. |
| (2) | Meet     | Meet will denote the "All India Forest Sports Meet"                       |
| (3) | Ministry | Ministry will denote Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India.   |
| (4) | Jury     | Jury will denote "Jury of Honour & Appeal" constituted for the Meet.      |

### 4. Abbreviations: -

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| (1)  | MOEF   | Ministry of Environment & Forests                       |
| (2)  | IIFM   | Indian Institute of Forest Management                   |
| (3)  | DFE    | Director of Forestry Education                          |
| (4)  | IPIRTI | Indian Plywood Industries Research & Training Institute |
| (5)  | ICFRE  | Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education         |
| (6)  | FSI    | Forest Survey of India                                  |
| (7)  | WII    | Wildlife Institute of India                             |
| (8)  | IGNFA  | Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy                   |
| (9)  | U.T.   | Union Territory   |
| (10) | ACS    | Additional Chief Secretary                              |
| (11) | G.O.I. | Government of India                                     |



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### 5. Eligibility: -

#### (i) Who can participate: -

- (a) The regular staff and officers serving in the Forest Departments/ Forest Corporations of all States and other Forestry Institutions/ Organizations/ Undertakings fully owned by the Government.

#### Explanations: -

- (1) A serving Officer/Staff on deputation to any department, other than the Forest Department of the state or UT concerned shall be eligible to participate from such state or UT's team. Similarly, an Officer/Staff on deputation to any department under the Government of India, other than the MOEF shall be eligible to participate from the MOEF team.
- (2) All IFS Probationers/SFS Trainees undergoing training with IGNTA Dehradun or in LBSNAA Mussoorie /SFS Colleges shall be eligible to participate from the IGNTA/DFE team.
- (3) Any person qualified to participate under rule 5 (i) (a) above who is on leave or serving in an NGO shall be eligible to participate from the team of their State/Organization.
- (b) Staff and officers serving in the Forest Secretariat of GOI/States/ UTs shall be eligible to participate from the respective team of MOEF/State/UT concerned. Similarly, staff and officers, upto Secretary level, serving in the MOEF, Govt. of India, can participate from MOEF team.
- (c) Staff and officers on deputation to Forest Departments/Corporations of various States/ MOEF shall be eligible to participate from the team of that State/MOEF.
- (d) Students, trainees and research scholars of only IIFM, WII, ICFRE, FSI, IPIRTI and State Forest Research Institutions.
- (e) Employees recruited by states on contract basis against permanent posts, by specific Government order, for a minimum period of 3 years.



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(f) Contract basis employees engaged by the Institutions mentioned in rule 5 (i) (d), to work under specific approved projects for a minimum period of two years, and at the same time their engagement should have begun at least six months before the date of commencement of the Meet. These employees should be employed directly by the Institutions mentioned above and not outsourced by them from other agencies.

**(ii) Who cannot participate: -**

- (a) Daily wage workers
- (b) Employees working on contingency basis
- (c) Contract basis employees other than mentioned in rule 5 (i) (e) and 5 (i) (f) above

**6. Identity Cards: -**

- (a) All participants must possess duly authenticated Identity Cards signed by Head of the Forest Departments/ Institutions concerned or his authorized signatory.
- (b) The authorized signatory must possess a letter of authorization to sign the Identity Cards from the concerned Head of the Forest Departments/ Institutions and a certified copy of the same must be submitted to the organizers of the Meet.
- (c) The Identity Cards must have signature of the participants, ID serial number and the seal of the office issuing the Card.
- (d) The signatory to the card must also attest photographs of the participants affixed on the Card.
- (e) The participants not possessing Identity Cards, complete in the prescribed manner, may not be allowed to participate.
- (f) Team managers should deposit attested Photostat copies of Identity Cards of all the players to the Organizing Committee before the commencement of the Meet, failing which the players concerned may be disqualified at any stage of his/her event.
- (g) Certified copies of appointment letter/deputation order of those participants shall be deposited with the organizers before the commencement of the Meet, whose



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appointment/deputation began after the previous Meet, failing which the players concerned may be disqualified at any stage of his/her event.

- (h) Certified copies of Identity Cards of any participants or appointment letter/deputation orders of those participants mentioned in clause 6 (g) above, shall be provided by the organizers to the managers of any other team on his demand for a fee of Rs. 2 per card.

### 7. Age Classes: -

- (a) In all games other than Weight Lifting and Power Lifting Events, the age classes will be as follows: -

Men Veteran –	45 years & above
Men Sr. Veteran –	53 years & above
Women Veteran –	40 years & above
Women Sr. Veteran –	50 years & above

- (b) Weight Lifting and Power Lifting Events: -

Men Veteran –	40 years and above
Men Sr. Veteran –	50 years & above

**Note:** - For the above rules 7 (a) and 7 (b), the age of the participant will be calculated as on the day of commencement of the Meet.

### 8. Fixtures: -

- (a) Fixtures for various events will be drawn by the host state at least 15 days before the commencement of the Meet.
- (b) The host state shall invite representatives of all the participating States/ Institutions to be present during drawing of fixtures.
- (c) For drawing of fixtures, 4 seedings shall be given to the 4 teams who secured first 4 positions in the previous Meet, in that order.
- (d) If one or more teams out of these 4 do not indicate their participation before the drawing of fixtures, then remaining seedings shall be given on the basis of past Meets' records.



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- (e) In the fixtures, the 4th seed shall be placed in the half of the top seed and the 3rd seed in the half of the 2nd seed.
- (f) An eligible participant shall be allowed to participate in maximum five individual events and three team events in a sports meet.
- 9. Late Admission: -**
- (a) No team will be allowed to participate in any event, for which they have not indicated their participation before drawing of fixtures. However, in genuine cases (except team events), late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Committee, but in any case, not later than 8 P.M. on the day just before the day of commencement of the Meet.
- (b) The exact placement of a late entry will be done by successive tossing of coins for dividing into sub half of a particular quarter, starting from quarter of 4th seed, then 3rd seed and so on. The placement will be against a bye, if available. The placement against seeded team will be avoided unless there is no other bye except against the seeded players.
- 10. Change of Participant: -**
- (a) After the due late, athletes for any athletic event shall not be allowed to be replaced as chest numbers have to be allotted in advance. However, in emergency cases, like injury or sickness of athletes, change of names may be allowed if the request is obtained till holding of the Managers' meet on the evening previous to the date of that particular event.
- (b) For events other than athletics, change of participant in any event can be done by a written request submitted by the Team Manager to the organizing in-charge of that particular event before the start of the first match of that team in that particular event.
- 11. Scheduling: -**
- While scheduling the events, matches should be well spread over the available time so that enough rest period between two successive rounds of various events is ensured.



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### 12. Walk Overs: -

30 minutes' time shall be given after first call before walk over is declared. However, in genuine cases, if the participant/ Manager intimates to the organizer of that event the need to adjust the schedule of any event well in advance, it may be adjusted by the organizer having consideration for other team's exigencies also.

### 13. Championship Points: -

(a) Championship Points will be added as follows, for all the events except the Team Games mentioned in clause (b) below: -

Gold Medal	5 Points
Silver Medal	3 Points
Bronze Medal	2 Points
4th Place	1 Points

(b) Fore Team Games (Cricket, Hockey, Kabaddi, Volleyball, Basketball, Football & Tug of War), Championship Points will be added as follows: -

Gold Medal	10 Points
Silver Medal	6 Points
Bronze Medal	4 Points
4th Place	2 Points

(c) In weight lifting and power lifting events, medals will be awarded in all the weight categories as per National games norms. However, no championship points will be added for those weight categories in which actual number of participants is less than 5.

(d) For Match Past, Quiz & Cultural events, no championship points shall be awarded.

(e) In case of tie, the championship points shall be shared.

(f) Overall Championship: -

Overall Championship will be awarded to the State/ Institution securing maximum aggregate points in all the events of the Meet.



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### 14. Trophies to be awarded: -

- (1) Overall Championship Trophy
- (2) Overall Runners-Up Trophy
- (3) Winners' Trophies for Team Games.
- (4) Best Athlete in Men Open category
- (5) Best Athlete in Women Open category
- (6) Best Athlete in Men Veteran category
- (7) Best Athlete in Women Veteran category
- (8) Best Athlete in Men Sr. Veteran category
- (9) Best Athlete in Women Sr. Veteran category
- (10) Best Sportsman of the Meet
- (11) Best Sportswoman of the Meet
- (12) Trophies for top 2 teams in March Past
- (13) Trophies for top 2 teams in Quiz
- (14) Trophies for top 2 teams in Cultural competitions

### Note: -

- (a) The Trophies for Items Nos 4th to 9th will be awarded on the basis of aggregate points secured by the person concerned in his/her category.
- (b) The Trophies for Item Nos 10th to 11th will be awarded on the basis of total points secured by the participant in all the events in which he/she participates, excluding Team Games.

### 15. Appeals: -

- (a) A jury of Honour & Appeal shall be constituted by the Chairman of the Organizing Committee. The jury will consist of 9 members. Maximum 3 members may be from the host state and the remaining from other participating States/ Institutions. One member of the Jury shall be from MOEF.
- (b) The jury will take final decision in disputes regarding eligibility for participation of any player.



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- (c) The quorum of the Jury will be 3 members provided that no member of a jury bench will be from the States/ Institutions which is party to the dispute.
  - (d) The Jury of the Meet will act as standing committee to enquire into the complaints regarding the eligibility and identity of a participant, received during or after the Meet till next jury is put in place for the next Meet.
  - (e) A Technical Appeal Committee will be constituted by the organizers to entertain & dispose all complaints regarding the conduct of various events. This committee will consist of the Chairperson of the Technical Committee, the main referee or umpire of that particular event and 2 members of Jury of Honour & Appeal from the States/Institutions not involved in the dispute. While considering an appeal, the quorum will be 3 members.
  - (f) Appeals to the Technical Appeal Committee must be filed within 12 hours of completion of the event after remitting a fee of Rupees 200/- in each case. The committee will decide the appeal within 6 hours of filing it.
  - (g) If the teams are satisfied with the decision of the Technical Appeal Committee, the matter shall stand resolved. If the complaint/dispute is not resolved, the same shall be put up to the “Jury of Honour & Appeal” whose decision shall be binding on all the parties.
- 16. Repeal of Award: -**
- (a) An award of a medal or 4th place shall be taken back from any ineligible winner by the Jury whenever his/her ineligibility is established.
  - (b) In case of ineligibility with respect to participation, the Jury shall also order disqualification of the State/Institution, whom such ineligible participant belongs to, from participating in the Meet for the next 3 years in that event.
  - (c) The award taken back from such ineligible winner shall be given to the next eligible participant/team. The championship points table shall also be accordingly revised by the organizers and consequently, if need so arises, the overall championship trophy shall also be taken back and awarded to the deserving team.





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### 17. Addition of Events: -

- (a) No event will be added in any Meet without its approval in the Nodal Officers' meeting before that Meet.
- (b) Only those events will be considered for addition in the Meet for which not less than 7 States/Institutions submit their request in or before the Nodal Officers' meeting.

### 18. Deletion of Events: -

- (a) No fixtures will be drawn for those events in which there are less than 5 entries for that Meet and consequently, those events will not be held in that Meet. The organization will inform the teams sending entries in that event at least 10 days before the commencement of the Meet.
- (b) Once the fixtures are drawn for any event for a Meet, that event will be held in that Meet even if actual participation turns out to be less than 5.
- (c) Those events (except weight lifting and power lifting) in which there are less than 7 participants/teams actually participating in any Meet will be considered for deletion for the next Meet in the Nodal Officers' meeting before the next Meet.
- (d) Those events may be considered for omission from any meet in the Nodal Officers' meeting before that Meet for which the host State has genuine disability to organize them.

### 19. Flags: -

All the participant teams shall bring two flags of their team. The size of the flags should be 150cm x 90 cm and 180 cm x 120 cm.

### 20. Uniform: -

All members of participating teams must be in uniform during their events including the March Past.