INDIA TAEKWONDO

ATHLETE SELECTION POLICY FOR 3rd ASIAN YOUTH GAMES 2025

As per the circular dated 7^{th} May 2025 issued by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA), India Taekwondo conducted a Zoom meeting on 10^{th} May 2025 to discuss and finalize the announcement of the event, the outline, and the selection policy for athletes for the 3^{rd} Asian Youth Games 2025. In the same meeting, the Selection Committee for the said event was formally appointed.

1. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this policy is to outline the selection process to be undertaken by India Taekwondo for identifying athletes in the Youth category to participate in the upcoming **3rd Youth Asian Games 2025**. The process will be carried out strictly in line with the India Taekwondo Selection Policy.

2. OPEN SELECTION TRIAL

- **Date & Venue:** To be conducted from 09th to 11th June, 2025 at Divisional Sports Complex, Nashik, Maharashtra.
- **Category:** Youth category (must be born between 2009 and 2010 inclusive) athletes eligible for participation in the Youth Asian Games.
- **Committee:** The Selection Trial will be conducted under the supervision of the India Taekwondo Selection Committee.
- **Observers:** Observers from the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) may be invited, and representatives appointed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) /Sports Authority of India shall be invited to witness and oversee all selection trials.
- **System:** The trial will be conducted on the Electronic PSS System & under video recording to ensure accuracy and transparency.

• Outcome:

- Medalists (1st Place, 2nd Place, and both 3rd Place) from the Open Selection Trial will qualify for the Training Camp & Final Selection Trial.
- o Only fairly selected athletes through this process will be advanced to the next stage.

3. TRAINING CAMP & FINAL SELECTION TRIAL

- **Date & Venue:** A Training Camp will be held as per venue availability followed by the Final Selection Trial at the same venue.
- **Eligibility:** Only medalists from the Open Selection Trial (1st Place, 2nd Place, and both 3rd Place medalists) will be eligible to participate.
- **Committee Supervision:** The Final Selection Trial will be conducted under the supervision of the India Taekwondo Selection Committee.
- **Observers:** Observers from the Indian Olympic Association (IOA)/representatives appointed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) /Sports Authority of India may be invited to witness and oversee all selection trials.
- **System:** Trials will be conducted using the Electronic PSS system along with the Video Recording to ensure transparency and fairness
- **Outcome:** Athletes selected from the Final Selection Trial shall represent India at the 3rd Youth Asian Games.

4. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All selection trials will be conducted in accordance with the standardized rules and regulations of World Taekwondo (WT) & India Taekwondo Selection Policy.
- The selection process shall be overseen by a Selection Committee constituted by India Taekwondo, with observers from the Indian Olympic Association (IOA)/representatives appointed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS)/Sports Authority of India (SAI) who may be invited, to ensure fairness, transparency, and compliance.
- In the event of injury, withdrawal, failure to complete registration, or disciplinary action, the Selection Committee reserves the right to review the situation and nominate the next medalist athlete, as deemed appropriate.
- If a selected athlete fails to complete the registration process within the given timeline, the next medalist athlete (as per the selection order) will be given the opportunity to participate in the international competition.

5. CONCLUSION

- The Open Selection Trial and Final Selection Trial will be conducted strictly in accordance with the India Taekwondo Selection Policy.
- Trials will be conducted in a transparent and professional manner under video recording & the supervision of the appointed Selection Committee.
- The final list of athletes will be confirmed only after the completion of the Final Selection Trial and shall represent India Taekwondo at the 3rd Youth Asian Games.

Important Note: India Taekwondo and the Selection Committee reserve the right to amend or modify the above selection policy in the event of any major/unforeseen circumstances.

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