

SELECTION POLICY FOR THE DUBAI 2025 ASIAN YOUTH PARA GAMES

1. INTRODUCTION

After the information from Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) India Taekwondo announced the **Open Selection Trials** for the upcoming **Dubai 2025 Asian Youth Para Games** to identify and select eligible athletes to represent India at this prestigious international event.

2. VENUE AND DATE

The **Open Selection Trials** were organized 26th & 27th September, 2025 at **Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab**.

3. FORMATION OF SELECTION COMMITTEE

Following the announcement of the trials, India Taekwondo constituted a **Selection Committee**, the details of which are mentioned below.

- **Chairman:** Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar
- **Member:** Ms. Veena Arora
- **Member:** Mr. Peter Fernandes

Additionally, requests were submitted to the **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS)** and the **Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)** to appoint official **Observers** for the selection process to ensure transparency and compliance with PCI guidelines.

4. BASIS OF SELECTION POLICY

The Selection Policy was framed and approved by the Selection Committee in accordance with the eligibility and event categories outlined in the **Asian Youth Para Games competition regulations**.

- The trials were conducted in an **open selection format**.
- A maximum of **Two (2) athletes per category** were permitted to participate, as per the international event outline.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- Only athletes who are Indian citizens and registered with India Taekwondo with a valid UID will be eligible.
- Athletes must have valid documents (passport, photograph) submitted within the prescribed timeline.

6. CONDUCT OF SELECTION TRIALS

- The selection trials were conducted using **electronic PSS (Protector and Scoring System)** to ensure accurate, transparent, and fair scoring.
- The trials were supervised by **National and International Referees**, appointed specifically for this event.
- The entire selection process was conducted **under video recording** to maintain transparency and integrity.
- All safety protocols were strictly followed to ensure **no harm to any athlete** during the competition.

7. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- selection trials will be conducted in accordance with the standardized rules and regulations of World Para Taekwondo (WT).
- The selection process will be overseen by an independent Selection Committee constituted by India Taekwondo, with PCI/MYAS/SAI Observers invite to ensure fairness, transparency, and compliance.
- In case of registration failure, injury, withdrawal, or disciplinary action, the Selection Committee reserves the right to review the situation and nominate the next eligible athlete.
- If any athlete fails to adhere to the prescribed weight guidelines, the Selection Committee reserves the right to replace them with the next eligible athlete from the final selection trial.
- If a selected athlete fails to complete the registration process within the given timeline, the next eligible athlete, as per the selection, will be given the opportunity to participate in the Championship.

8. SELECTION OUTCOME

Based on the performance during the open selection trials, the **Top Two athletes in each category** were finalized to represent India Taekwondo at the **Dubai 2025 Asian Youth Para Games**.

These selected athletes have been duly **shortlisted and registered** for participation through the proper channel.

9. CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND FINAL ELIGIBILITY

Athletes selected through the Open Selection Trials whose **international classification** has not yet been completed their final participation in the **Dubai 2025 Asian Youth Para Games** will be subject to successful completion of the **official international classification process** conducted prior to the competition.

Only those athletes who **successfully pass the international classification** and are confirmed under an eligible sport class as per the competition rules will be **permitted to participate** in the Asian Youth Para Games.

10. DECLARATION

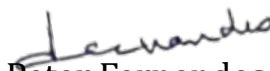
India Taekwondo affirms that the entire selection process was conducted in a **fair, transparent, and impartial manner**, in accordance with the rules and spirit of the sport.



Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar
(Chairperson - Selection Committee)



Ms Veena Arora (Member)



Mr Peter Fernandes (Member)

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