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To,
All State/UT Units,
School Games Federation of India

Subject: Participation Rights of Students from Schools Earlier Affiliated to IBSSO

Dear Sir/Madam,

The School Games Federation of India (SGFI), recognised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, and affiliated to the International School Sport Federation (ISF), is constitutionally mandated to safeguard equal participation rights of all eligible school children across India.

By order dated **09.08.2025**, the Executive Committee of SGFI, exercising its powers under **Articles 17(C-16), 32 and 32(C)** of the SGFI Constitution, suspended the affiliation of the **International Board School Sports Organisation (IBSSO)**. In consequence of the said suspension, the following directions are hereby issued for strict compliance by all State/UT units:

1. Unrestricted Participation Rights

All students of schools earlier affiliated to IBSSO — including but not limited to International Baccalaureate (IB) schools — shall retain full and unrestricted rights to participate in SGFI events at all levels, from grassroots, district, zonal, and state competitions through to the National Championships, via their respective State/UT units.

2. No Denial or Discrimination Permissible

No such student shall be denied participation solely due to the suspension of IBSSO. Any denial, obstruction, or discrimination by any unit or its officials shall constitute a violation of the SGFI Constitution and will invite strict disciplinary action.

3. Special Transitional Provision for 2025–26

In the event that any student/school earlier under IBSSO has missed their **District Championship**, the concerned State/UT unit shall make necessary arrangements to permit their participation at the **next available level**, whether at **Zonal Championships, State Championships, or official Selection Trials prior to the National Championship**. This special provision shall apply **only for the current academic year (2025–26)**. From the academic year **2026–27 onwards**, such students shall participate strictly as per the rules, regulations, and procedures of their respective State/UT units.

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4. Mandatory Compliance

All units are hereby directed to ensure seamless facilitation of entries and participation of such students. Failure to comply with these instructions shall invite disciplinary action under **Article 5(D)** and other relevant provisions of the SGFI Constitution.

5. Redressal of Complaints

Any complaint of denial of participation shall be dealt with promptly and strictly by SGFI.

This directive shall remain binding on all SGFI units until further orders or ratification by the General Body.

Yours faithfully,



(Parth Suresh Doshi)
Chief Executive Officer
School Games Federation of India



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- The President, SGFI
- All Members, Executive Committee, SGFI
- Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India — for record
- Executive Director (Teams), Sports Authority of India, New Delhi — for record
- **Press & Media — for wide publicity to ensure all schools, parents, and stakeholders are duly informed**