

No. 51-2/2023-SP-III
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Department of Sports

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 24th December, 2023

To

The President,
Indian Olympic Association,
Olympic Bhawan,
B-29, Qutub Institutional Area,
New Delhi – 110067.

Sub: Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) - reg.

Madam,

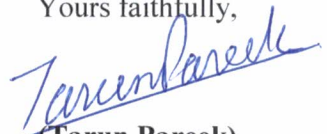
I am directed to refer to this Ministry's order of even number dated 24.12.2023 abstaining the newly elected Executive Committee of the WFI from administering and managing the day-to-day activities of the Federation (copy enclosed).

2. Since Wrestling is an Olympic sport and WFI is an affiliate member of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and taking note of the compelling current situation arising out of the influence and control of the WFI's former office bearers, serious concerns have arisen about the governance and integrity of the WFI. This requires for immediate and stringent corrective measures to uphold the principles of good governance in sports organizations, and thus, now it becomes incumbent on the part of IOA to make suitable arrangements for the interim period for managing the affairs of WFI so that sportspersons of wrestling discipline do not suffer in any manner and the principle of good governance in the sports body do not get jeopardised.

3. In view of the above, it is requested that an Ad-Hoc Committee may be constituted by the IOA to manage and control the affairs of WFI, as per the defined role of NSFs in the National Sports Development Code of India-2011, including the selection of athletes, making entries for the participation of sportspersons in international events, holding of sporting activities, etc. with immediate effect, until further orders.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,


(Tarun Pareek)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

1. President / Secretary General, Wrestling Federation of India.
2. Director General, Sports Authority of India
3. PS to Hon'ble Minister, YAS
4. PPS to Secretary (Sports)