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To
The Presidents/
Secretaries General/ General Secretaries
National Sports Federations
Indian Olympic Association

## Call for Nominations – IOC Certificate in Drugs in Sport

Dear Colleagues,

The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) is calling for nominations of a qualified doctor or sports healthcare professional for Olympic Solidarity Scholarship for the for IOC Certificate on Drugs in Sports. The certificate course is offered by distance learning on a part-time basis, running for a period of six months.

This course jointly organised by the Olympic Solidarity through Sports Medicine and Protection of Clean Athletes Programme (Training) and International Olympic Committee's Medical and Scientific Department offers Scholarship to a limited number of candidates endorsed by the National Olympic Committees. The details on module, faculty, curriculum and learning outcome are available on – <a href="https://www.sportsoracle.com/Drugs+In+Sport/Home/">https://www.sportsoracle.com/Drugs+In+Sport/Home/</a> Interested candidates must directly register online for the course. Admission and scholarship are two separate processes.

This IOC professional certificate course will train and equip sports medical or sports healthcare professionals working in the anti-doping field to advise and support athletes to make the best choices regarding effective clinical drug options while ensuring compliance with the rules of the World Anti-Doping Code (WADC), sports federations and national anti-doping agencies. Delivery of the course will involve a variety of teaching methods:

- Each part of the course will consist of lectures in electronic format, supported by directed private study, and will include formal assessment elements.
- Lectures will consist of computer-based lectures by leading experts in the field, and will incorporate self-assessment and interactive elements where appropriate.
- Lecture material will be supplemented by a programme of directed study, including review papers and original research publications.
- Students will be provided with a comprehensive portfolio of reading material in electronic format. Core program textbook (Drug in Sport, Routledge) and online access to the British Journal of Sports Medicine will also be provided to all students as part of the registration fee.
- The course will include a formal examination to be completed by students.

Upon successful completion of coursework and examination, students are awarded with the IOC Certificate in Drugs in Sport.

Timeline – September, 2020: Course begins

February 2021: Course ends

The scholarship by Olympic Solidarity is meant to specifically cover the registration fees for candidate/ student accepted in the course. All other costs will need to be covered by the candidate/ student. For availing scholarship, we request the National Sports Federations (NSF) to send nomination of a maximum of one eligible sports doctor or sports healthcare professional.

The criteria for eligible nominees:

 Hold undergraduate degree in medicine, sports science or an allied health science;

 Have a good understanding of English (submit language proficiency score, if required);

Be young/ in early career;

 Experience of working with National Olympic Committee, national athletes/ teams; and

Be able to cover expenses not covered under OS Scholarship.

The nomination of NSF for scholarship, CV of the candidate, and proof of applying for admission should be received at the IOA not later than 10 am on **21 July 2020**. The NOC/ IOA would propose one meritorious candidate for the course.

We look forward to prospective nominations for the advancement of sports medicine and athletes welfare in India.

Sincerely,

Rajeev Mehta

Secretary General