Association of Indian Universities

(Sports Board)

Subject: Revised Eligibility Rules for participation of students/athletes in National University Games: 2017-18 onwards.

1. The matter with regard to revised Eligibility Rules was considered and discussed thread-bare in the meeting. Sports Board decided to adopt and approve the decision of International University Sports Federation (FISU) regarding the amendment/change in "Age Limit" for participation of student athletes in FISU sporting competitions from 2017-18 onwards. Accordingly, the new approved "Age Limit" from 17 to 25 years shall be applicable for participation of Indian Universities contingent/teams in all the sporting events, including the discipline of Basketball organized by the FISU.

2. Lot of queries have been pouring in AIU office from the member universities regarding Revised Eligibility Rules as these are mandatory for the purpose of admission and selection of teams for participation at zonal and Inter Zonal(National) tournaments.

3. Further, it was also decided to implement the above Age limit from 17 to 25 years alongwith existing "eligibility conditions" put in place for participation of bonafide and full time (regular) students, for participation in National University Games from 2017-18 onwards alongwith following additional terms and conditions:

4. Accordingly, a copy of Revised Eligibility Rules is uploaded on our website www.aiu.ac.in for advance information and necessary action of all the stakeholders. Further, a copy of the same is being circulated to all member universities for advance information of all the stakeholders in due course of time.

- Age limit of the students shall be minimum 17 years and maximum upto 25 years
- Only a bonafide, full time student, who is enrolled for a course of the University, which is of a minimum duration of one academic year, and whose examination is conducted by the university, shall be eligible to participate in the Inter-University tournaments.
- Students of open Universities shall be considered to be bonafied students and shall be eligible to participate provided they fulfil other conditions.
- Ph.D., M. Phil., Compartement, etc. students will be eligible to participate only if in terms of the concerned university rules they are regarded to be bonafide students and fulfil other conditions laid down in this behalf. All students participating in the Inter University Tournaments shall fulfil the following conditions:
  i. Not more than 8 years have elapsed since a student passed the examination qualifying him/her for first admission to a university or college affiliated to a university. The 8 year period mentioned above shall be distributed as below:-

  - not more than 5 years after passing 10+2 or equivalent while pursuing graduate courses/studies.
ii. Not more than 3 years after passing Graduation or equivalent while pursuing post graduate course/studies. Irrespective of any other conditions like change of class/course/faculty, joining lower class from higher, changing academic to professional courses or vice versa, provided that students admitted, after passing +2 examination, to graduate courses of more than 3 years duration like Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Pharmacy etc. shall be eligible to participate in the Inter-University tournaments for the actual length of such graduate courses/studies.

- Only students, who are less than 25 years of age as on first July of the academic year in which the tournament is held, can participate.

- Students shall not be full-time employees of Public or Private sector as the case may be.

- A student shall not be allowed to represent more than one University during a single academic year.

- Provisional admission to a course or University shall not make the student eligible to represent the University.

- In case of a student migrating from one University to another, his/her migration case will be considered eligible only after his/her admission in the new university is regularized and he/she is admitted as a bonafide student by the new university.

- No Objection Certificate (NOC) is mandatory to be eligible for participation for those students, who received or receiving stipend/financial support for pursuing excellence in competitive sports as career from Public or Private Sector to support their studies, as the case may be.

Note: As per existing practice, the comments and queries with regard to the Revised Eligibility Rules received from member universities, if any, will be reported to the next Sports Board Meeting for consideration.