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OFFICE ORDER

**RECONSTITUTION OF AD-HOC COMMITTEE FOR GOVERNANCE OF EQUESTRIAN
SPORT IN INDIA**

1. Refer to this office letter No IOA/VI-55/2872 dated 27 March 2026 regarding the constitution of the Ad-Hoc Committee for governance of the Equestrian Federation of India (EFI).
2. The IOA has, since the constitution of the Ad-Hoc Committee, received numerous representations and complaints from members of the equestrian fraternity concerning the conduct and functioning of Col. Ashok Yadav (Retd.), Member (Administration), appointed to the Committee.
3. These complaints, received from a cross-section of stakeholders including athletes, and officials, consistently point to instances of lack of collaborative functioning and conduct not in keeping with the standards of institutional propriety expected from a member entrusted with such responsibility.
4. The IOA has taken serious note of these concerns. Given the sensitive and transitional nature of the Ad-Hoc Committee's mandate—as also highlighted in the communication appointing the Committee and outlining its responsibilities, it is imperative that all members conduct themselves in a manner that inspires confidence, ensures harmony, and upholds the highest standards of governance.
5. In view of the above, and in the interest of ensuring smooth, fair, and effective functioning of the Ad-Hoc Committee, it is hereby ordered that **Col. Ashok Yadav (Retd.) stands removed from the position of Member (Administration) of the Ad-Hoc Committee with immediate effect.**
6. The IOA remains committed to ensuring that the transition process in EFI is carried out in a transparent, balanced, and athlete-centric manner, in line with judicial directions and international obligations.

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7. A suitable replacement for the position of Member (Administration) shall be announced shortly, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Ad-Hoc Committee.



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