

STEERING COMMITTEE
VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

NOTIFICATION: 03.08.2026

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) TO HOST
“2026 NATIONAL BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP”

The Steering Committee, Volleyball Federation of India hereby invites Expressions of Interest from eligible State Volleyball Associations, State Governments, Union Territory Administrations, State Sports Authorities and other competent organisations across India for hosting:

“2026 National Beach Volleyball Championship”

The Championship shall feature Senior Men’s and Senior Women’s Beach Volleyball competitions and is intended to bring together the leading athletes and teams from across India. The “2026 National Beach Volleyball Championship” is proposed to be held during **“September 2026”**; however, the exact dates of the Championship shall be finalised by the Steering Committee, VFI in consultation with the selected Host State/Host Organisation and relevant stakeholders.

Proposals shall be evaluated based on the overall suitability and feasibility of the proposed hosting arrangement and shall take into consideration the parameters mentioned in attached **ANNEXURE-1** and **ANNEXURE-2**

Complete proposals must be submitted **no later than 17:00 IST on 12 August 2026**.

Proposals received after the stipulated deadline may not be considered. The final decision regarding the award of hosting rights shall be taken by the Steering Committee, subject to applicable approvals and formalisation of the hosting arrangements.

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Steering Committee Volleyball Federation of India



HOST REQUIREMENT MANUAL – GENERAL **“2026 National Beach Volleyball Championship”**

1. INDICATIVE TIMELINE

Date	Activity
3 August 2026	EOI Published
12 August 2026	Submission Deadline – 17:00 IST
14-16 August 2026	Clarifications / Additional Information
17-18 August 2026	Evaluation of Proposals
20 August 2026	Award of Hosting Rights

The Steering Committee reserves the right to amend the above timeline, if required.

2. INDICATIVE EVENT DURATION

The Host Organisation should plan for an event period comprising:

- **Arrival and registration:** 1 day;
- **Technical meeting and official practice:** 1 day;
- **Competition:** Approximately 4–5 days;
- **Medal and closing ceremony:** Included within the competition schedule;
- **Departure:** 1 day.

The indicative hosting requirement is therefore approximately **7–8 days**, including arrival, competition and departure.

The final event schedule shall be confirmed by the Steering Committee.

3. EXPECTED EVENT PROFILE

The following is an indicative event profile for the purpose of preparation of technical and financial proposals. Final numbers may be adjusted by the Steering Committee based on confirmed entries and the approved competition format.

(a) Competition Categories

Senior Men

Indicatively:

- 24 teams;
- 48 athletes;
- Approximately 24 coaches/team officials.

Senior Women

Indicatively:

- 24 teams;
- 48 athletes;
- Approximately 24 coaches/team officials.

(b) Indicative Total Team Delegation

Category	Indicative Number
Teams	48
Athletes	96
Coaches / Team Officials	48
Total Athletes and Team Officials	144

The final number of participating teams shall be confirmed by the Steering Committee.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the Host Organisation shall be responsible for arranging and/or financing:

Venue and Infrastructure

- Competition venue;
- Competition courts;
- Practice and warm-up courts;
- Sand preparation and maintenance;
- Spectator seating;
- Athlete and team areas;
- Officials' areas;
- Medical area;
- Venue lighting and power backup;
- Venue equipment and infrastructure.

Local Operations

- Venue operations;
- Security and crowd management;
- Accreditation infrastructure and local implementation;
- Volunteers;
- Local event workforce;
- Cleaning and venue maintenance;
- Local permits and administrative permissions.

Accommodation and Food

- Accommodation as agreed in the approved hosting budget for players and officials
- Food and catering arrangements as agreed;
- Hospitality arrangements for participating teams and officials.

Transportation

- Airport/railway station transfers, where applicable;
- Local transportation between accommodation and venue;
- Transportation for teams and officials;
- Transportation for technical officials and event personnel.

Medical and Emergency Services

- Medical personnel;
- First-aid facilities;
- Ambulance;
- Emergency response arrangements;
- Hospital coordination.

Event Presentation and Local Promotion

- Local promotion and publicity;
- Venue branding and signage;
- Event presentation infrastructure;
- Local media coordination;
- Opening and closing ceremonies, where applicable.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE VFI

Subject to the final hosting agreement and approved budget, the Steering Committee/VFI shall be responsible for or coordinate:

- Awarding and supervising the hosting rights;
- Final approval of the venue and event arrangements;
- Approval of the competition format and event schedule;
- Appointment or nomination of Technical Delegates;
- Appointment or approval of referees and technical officials;
- Coordination of national-level technical requirements;
- Coordination with participating State Associations;
- Competition regulations and technical guidelines;
- Final approval of the Host Requirements and operational plan;
- National-level event governance and supervision;
- Overall technical oversight of the Championship;
- National-level communication and coordination with participating teams.

Any specific financial contribution or expenditure by the Steering Committee/VFI shall be clearly identified in the final hosting agreement and approved event budget.

6. SHARED OR SEPARATELY AGREED RESPONSIBILITIES

The following areas may be allocated between the Host Organisation and the Steering Committee/VFI through the final hosting agreement

- Competition equipment;
- Event branding and production;
- Media and broadcast arrangements;
- Prize money and awards;
- Ceremonies;
- National-level promotion;
- Any other specific event expenditure.

No party shall be assumed to be financially responsible for an item unless such responsibility is expressly agreed in writing.

7. DIVISION OF FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

A clear division of responsibilities shall be agreed between the selected Host Organisation and the Steering Committee/VFI before the award of hosting rights.

8. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

Each applicant shall submit a detailed financial proposal clearly identifying:

1. Total estimated event budget;
2. Financial contribution proposed by the Host Organisation;
3. Financial contribution requested from the Steering Committee/VFI, if any;
4. In-kind contributions;
5. Government support;
6. Sponsorship support;
7. Venue and infrastructure costs;
8. Accommodation and food costs;
9. Transportation costs;
10. Medical and emergency service costs;
11. Officials and referee costs;
12. Volunteer and workforce costs;
13. Security and venue management costs;
14. Event presentation and branding costs;
15. Any other anticipated expenditure.

The financial proposal must clearly distinguish between:

- i. Costs to be borne by the Host Organisation;
- ii. Costs proposed to be borne by the Steering Committee/VFI;
- iii. Costs proposed to be shared;
- iv. Costs proposed to be met through sponsorship or other third-party support.

The Steering Committee may seek clarification or revision of the financial proposal before awarding the hosting rights.

9. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

The proposal must include:

1. Applicant profile;
2. Details of the proposed Host State and Host City;

3. Venue details and photographs;
4. Venue layout and technical specifications;
5. Compliance statement against Annexure-I;
6. Accommodation proposal;
7. Transportation plan;
8. Medical and emergency services plan;
9. Event workforce and volunteer plan;
10. Previous event-hosting experience;
11. Government and institutional support;
12. Detailed financial proposal;
13. Clear division of proposed financial responsibilities;
14. Proposed in-kind contribution;
15. Sponsorship and partnership details, if applicable;
16. Any additional information relevant to the successful hosting of the Championship.

10. AWARD OF HOSTING RIGHTS

The successful Host Organisation shall be required to enter into a formal hosting agreement with the Steering Committee/VFI. The agreement shall specify:

- Hosting rights;
- Event dates;
- Venue;
- Technical and operational requirements;
- Financial responsibilities;
- Accommodation and transport responsibilities;
- Medical and emergency obligations;
- Branding and commercial rights;
- Government and institutional support;
- Reporting and compliance obligations;
- Any other terms and conditions considered necessary.

The award of hosting rights shall not be considered final until the formal hosting arrangements have been approved and executed.

11. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Steering Committee reserves the right to:

- Accept or reject any EOI;
- Seek additional information;
- Conduct venue inspections;
- Request revised proposals;
- Negotiate with applicants;
- Modify the event schedule or requirements;
- Cancel or withdraw the EOI process;
- Award or not award hosting rights.

HOST REQUIREMENT MANUAL - TECHNICAL

“2026 National Beach Volleyball Championship”

The organiser shall establish the minimum technical, operational, venue, accommodation, transport, medical and organisational requirements for hosting the Championship such as;

- Minimum number of competition courts;
- Minimum number of practice and warm-up courts;
- Court dimensions and technical specifications;
- Sand quality and depth requirements;
- Safety zones and court surroundings;
- Spectator seating requirements;
- Athlete and team areas;
- Referee and technical officials’ areas;
- Medical and physiotherapy facilities;
- Accommodation requirements and minimum number of hotel rooms;
- Transportation requirements;
- Venue lighting and power backup;
- Technical equipment;
- Referees and technical officials;
- Volunteers and event workforce;
- Security, accreditation and access control;
- Media and event presentation facilities.

1. MINIMUM COMPETITION INFRASTRUCTURE

Requirement	Minimum Standard
Competition Courts	2
Practice/Warm-up Courts	2
Competition Court Dimensions	16m × 8m
Safety Zones	As per applicable technical requirements
Sand	Clean, safe, suitable Beach Volleyball sand
Spectator Seating	Minimum approximately 500
Medical Area	1 dedicated facility
Referee/Officials Area	1 dedicated facility
Athlete/Team Area	Dedicated facility
Power Backup	Required
Venue Lighting	Required where evening sessions are scheduled

2. INDICATIVE EVENT POPULATION

Category	Approximate Number
Athletes	96
Coaches / Team Officials	48
Technical Delegates / Competition Management	2–3
Referees	12–16
Scorers / Technical Officials	12–16

Category	Approximate Number
Medical / Physiotherapy Personnel	6–8
Volunteers	30–40
Event Management / Support Personnel	10–15

The final requirements may be modified by the Steering Committee based on the final number of participating teams and the approved competition format.

3. INDICATIVE TECHNICAL AND EVENT OFFICIALS

The Host Organisation should prepare its proposal based on the following indicative event personnel:

Category	Indicative Number
Technical Delegates / Competition Management	2–3
Referees	12–16
Scorers / Technical Officials	12–16
Court and Competition Officials	10–15
Medical / Physiotherapy Personnel	6–8
Event Management / Administration	10–15
Volunteers	30–40

The final number and deployment of officials shall be determined by the Steering Committee based on the final competition format and event schedule.

4. MINIMUM VENUE AND INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS

The proposed venue must comply with the minimum requirements specified in Annexure–I. Indicatively, the Host Organisation shall be required to provide:

Competition Courts

- **Minimum 2 competition courts;**
- Courts prepared in accordance with the applicable technical requirements;
- Proper court dimensions and markings;
- Adequate safety zones;
- Suitable competition equipment;
- Appropriate lighting, where required;
- Spectator seating and viewing facilities.

Practice and Warm-Up Courts

- **Minimum 2 dedicated practice/warm-up courts;**
- Availability during designated training and warm-up periods;
- Adequate lighting, where required;
- Suitable access for participating teams.

Court Dimensions and Sand

The competition and practice courts shall comply with the technical requirements specified in the Host Requirements Manual.

Indicatively:

- Court dimensions: **16 metres × 8 metres**;
- Adequate free zone around each court;
- Suitable Beach Volleyball sand of appropriate quality;
- Sand shall be clean, safe and free from materials that may cause injury;
- Adequate sand depth and preparation in accordance with the applicable technical requirements;
- Proper drainage and surface preparation.

Spectator Seating

The proposed venue should provide:

- Minimum seating capacity of approximately **500 spectators**;
- Suitable viewing arrangements around the main competition court;
- Additional standing or temporary spectator areas, where appropriate;
- Separate seating or designated areas for VIPs and invited guests, where required.

Applicants offering higher-quality or larger spectator facilities may be given favourable consideration during evaluation.

Athlete and Team Areas

The venue shall include:

- Athlete/team waiting areas;
- Changing rooms;
- Shower facilities;
- Hydration and drinking-water facilities;
- Equipment storage;
- Designated team and athlete access routes.

Referee and Technical Officials' Areas

The Host Organisation shall provide:

- Dedicated officials' area;
- Referee working and preparation area;
- Scoring and technical operations area;
- Officials' meeting facilities;
- Appropriate access to the competition courts.

Medical and Emergency Facilities

The Host Organisation shall provide:

- Dedicated medical and first-aid area;
- Qualified medical personnel;
- Physiotherapy support, where required;
- Ambulance availability during competition;
- Emergency hospital arrangements;
- Emergency response procedures.

5. INDICATIVE ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS

The Host Organisation should plan for approximately **98–114 hotel rooms**, subject to final entries, room-sharing arrangements and the final event structure and preferably be located within reasonable travelling distance of the competition venue.

For planning purposes, the following indicative requirement may be considered	
Category	Indicative Rooms
Athletes	48–50 twin-sharing rooms
Coaches / Team Officials	24–30 rooms
Referees	8–10 rooms
Technical Officials / Competition Management	8–10 rooms
Medical / Support Personnel	4–6 rooms
Event Management Personnel	6–8 rooms
Indicative Total	98–114 rooms