OFFICE OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER

INDIAN OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS, 2026

Sportspersons of Outstanding Merit (SOMs) Elections on 09.11.2026

No. 17 /2026/EO-IOA SOM Elections **Date: 7th November 2026**

With reference to Notification No.: 2/2026/EO-IOA SOM Elections, dated 13.10.2026, the following candidates have given FORM 5 - Notice of Withdrawal upto 14.00 hrs on 07.11.2026, as per schedule 11 of the said notification: -

S. No.	S.No. in FORM 4 (List of Validly Nominated Candidates)	Name of Candidate	Gender	S. No. at the Electoral Roll
1.	1	Mansher Singh	Male	39 (SOMR – M)
2.	2	Surinder Singh Shokar	Male	1 (SOMR – M)
3.	4	Moraad Ali Khan	Male	38 (SOMR – M)
4.	6	Sathish Kumar Sivalingam	Male	32 (SOMR – M)
5.	8	Ronjan Sodhi	Male	21 (SOMR – M)
6.	9	Bhamidipati Sai Praneeth	Male	33 (SOMR – M)
7.	10	Sharath Kamal Achanta	Male	6 (SOMR – M)
8.	12	Adille Jehangir Sumariwalla	Male	9 (SOMR – M)
9.	14	Ashwini Nachappa	Female	14 (SOMR – F)
10.	15	Chekrovolu Swuro	Female	22 (SOMR – F)
11.	16	Neelam Setti Laxmi	Female	27 (SOMR – F)
12.	19	Ragina Kiro	Female	36 (SOMR – F)
13.	21	Trupti Murgunde	Female	28 (SOMR – F)

2. FORM 5 - Notice of Withdrawal have been examined in respect of above Validly Nominated Candidates and the same is accepted.

3. **In case of Male (SOMs)**, out of Twelve (12) Male Validly Nominated Candidates (FORM 4), the above Eight (8) Candidates have withdrawn and only Four (4) Male Candidates remain as Final Contesting Candidates.

Under the circumstances, as explained above, the Election to the **Four (4)** Sportspersons of Outstanding Merit (SOMs) – **Male**, as scheduled on 9th November 2026, will not serve any purpose as there are only

Four (4) candidates against the post of Four (4) SOMs in Male Category and they deem to be **Unopposed**, the list is placed below:-

S. No.	Name of Candidate	Gender	S. No. at the Electoral Roll	Remarks
1.	Gagan Narang	Male	4 (SOMR – M)	Unopposed
2.	Kamlesh Navinchandra Mehta	Male	10 (SOMR – M)	Unopposed
3.	Yogeshwar Dutt	Male	3 (SOMR – M)	Unopposed
4.	Vijender Singh	Male	23 (SOMR – M)	Unopposed

4. Declaration of Results shall be published on 9th November 2026 as per schedule 13 of Notification No.: 2/2026/EO-IOA SOMs Elections dated 13th October 2026.

5. **In case of Female SOMs**, out of the Eleven (11) Validly Nominated Candidates (FORM 4), the above Five (5) candidates have withdrawn (Sr. No. 9 to 13) and only Six (6) Female Candidates remain as Final Contesting Candidates.

6. Under the circumstances, the Election to Four (4) post of Sportspersons of Outstanding Merit (SOMs) – **Female** shall be held from among the Six (6) remaining Female candidates, as per schedule, on 9th November 2026, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

7. The Final List of Contesting Candidates (Female) is enclosed herewith.

8. This may be published on the website of the IOA alongwith enclosed FORM – 6, Final List of Contesting Candidates (Female) for information and necessary action to all concerned.

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FORM – 6

Final List of Contesting Candidates (Female)

S. No.	Name of Candidate	Gender	S. No. at the Electoral Roll
1.	Dola Banerjee	Female	7 (SOMR – F)
2.	Pilavullakandi Tekkeparambil Usha	Female	2 (SOMR – F)
3.	Rani	Female	13 (SOMR – F)
4.	Saina Nehwal	Female	1 (SOMR – F)
5.	Anitha Paul Durai	Female	32 (SOMR – F)
6.	Anju Bobby George	Female	4 (SOMR – F)

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