OFFICE OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER
IOA ELECTIONS - 2026
ELECTION TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOA

NOTIFICATION No. 2/2026/EO-IOA EC Elections **Date: 11th November 2026**

Whereas, in reference to Notification No. 1/2026/EO-IOA EC Elections dated 9th November 2026, whereby the election to the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) Executive Council was notified and names of representatives from member National Sports Federations and IOA Athletes' Commission was called, it was informed that the further schedule would be notified in due course.

1. Whereas, in furtherance thereof and in exercise of the powers vested in the undersigned as the Electoral Officer/Returning Officer, I hereby notify the further schedule as follows:

S. No.	Schedule	Date & Time
1.	Call for elections, invitation of Nominations (**Form - 2**) and publication of Final Electoral Roll (**Form -1**)	15th November 2026 (Sunday)
2.	Filing of Nominations	22nd (Sunday) - 24th November 2026 (Tuesday) 10.30 hrs to 16.30 hrs ***(In person)***
3.	Publication of draft list of Nominations received (**Form -3**)	24th November 2026 (Tuesday) after 16.30 hrs
4.	Objections to draft list of Nominations received *(Either in person at Olympic Bhawan or by email at elections@olympic.ind.in)*	25th (Tuesday) - 28th November 2026 (Saturday) upto 15.00 hrs
5.	Scrutiny and disposal of objections to nominated candidates	29th (Sunday) – 30th November 2026 (Monday)
6.	Final list of Nominated Candidates **(Form– 4)**	1st December 2026 (Tuesday)
7.	Withdrawal of Nominations **(Form – 5)**	2nd December 2026 (Wednesday) upto 17.00 hrs
8.	Final List of Contesting Candidates **(Form – 6)**	3rd December 2026 (Thursday)
9.	Polling	5th December 2026 (Saturday) (12.00 to 15.00 hrs)
10.	Counting of Votes **(Form 8)**	5th December 2026 (Saturday) 15.30 hrs - till completion

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S. No.	Schedule	Date & Time
11.	Declaration of Result **(Form 9)**	5th December 2026 (Saturday)

2. **Eligibility and Disqualification of candidates**

(a) **Eligibility** - A person shall be eligible to contest elections if s/he is:

i. A citizen of India;
ii. At least twenty-five (25) years of age;
iii. In full possession of her/his civil rights;
iv. Of sound mind;
v. Less than 70 years old as on the last date of nomination;
vi. Compliant with the International Charters and Statues and bye-laws relating to age and term;
vii. In possession of the necessary approvals from the Government, if such person is a government servant;
viii. Duly proposed and seconded by a voting member, part of the Electoral Roll.

(b) **Disqualification** - A person shall be disqualified from contesting, if s/he is:

ix. Declared insolvent under applicable law;
x. Subject to a conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction in India for an offence, followed by a sentence of imprisonment;
xi. Subject to a ban from holding any such position by an order of the Ethics Committee;

Provided that the disqualification in respect of:

- Sr. no. (b) (ix) hereinabove shall be for the period of insolvency as applicable;
- Sr. no. (b) (x) hereinabove shall be for a period of one full term of the Executive Council after the completion of such sentence; and
- Sr. no. (b) (xi) hereinabove shall be for the duration of such ban.

Provide further that, no person shall be eligible to contest for election or seek nomination to the office of the President or Treasurer unless such person is a Sportsperson of Outstanding Merit or has previously served as a member for at least one (1) full term in the Executive Council of the IOA or as the president, secretary general or treasurer of its affiliate unit. Further, such a person will not be eligible to contest for the office of President or Treasurer, if such a person has continuously held the position of the President or the Treasurer, as the case may be, for at least three (3) consecutive terms separately, or in combination thereof, and shall be eligible for election to such posts or to the Executive Council only after a mandatory Cooling-Off period of one (1) term.

xii. Not barred under any anti-doping laws, including by World Anti-Doping Agency and/or National Anti-Doping Agency.

3. **Nomination of Candidates**

(a) The nomination of a Candidate for the IOA Executive Council elections 2026 shall be made in **Form 2** (Annexure 1).

(b) Each nomination shall be proposed by one member of the Electoral College and seconded by another member of the Electoral College (who may, but need not, belong to the same category in the Electoral College as the proposer), each of whose name appears in the Final Electoral Roll in **Form 1,** to be issued on 15th November 2026.

(c) Each Nomination Paper shall be delivered in person by the Candidate at the Office of the Electoral Officer ***(First Floor, Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi)*** from 22nd November 2026 to 24th November 2026 between 10.30 hrs to 16.30 hrs each day.

(d) No individual shall endorse more than one (1) Candidate for the same elected post, either as proposer or seconder and, if he or she so does, only the first valid nomination shall be accepted, and all other nominations of such member shall be deemed to be void and inoperative.

(e) No person shall be permitted to withdraw his or her name as proposer or seconder, once the nomination paper endorsed by him or her has been delivered to the Electoral Officer.

(f) Every Candidate may present to the members in the electoral roll his or her plans and views for the elected post, in the form of a written document, in view of Rule 10.5 of the IOA Elections Bye-laws, along with Form-2 indicating their criminal antecedents, if any and confirmation of no dues with the IOA, which shall be published by the Electoral Officer on the website of IOA, in accordance with Bye-Law 2.3.7.

(g) The draft list of nominations received shall be published by the Electoral Officer in **Form 3** on 24th November 2026 after 16.30 hrs.

4. Scrutiny of Nominations

(a) The Electoral Officer/ Returning Officer shall scrutinize each nomination form received and determine its validity or otherwise from 29th November 2026 – 30th November 2026.

(b) During the scrutiny of nominations, each Candidate **or** one authorized representative, shall have the right to be present and raise objection(s), if any.

(c) Pursuant to the scrutiny, the Electoral Officer/ Returning Officer shall prepare and publish the List of Validly Nominated Candidates in **Form 4** on 1st December 2026.

5. Withdrawal of Candidates

(a) Each Candidate whose nomination has been found valid on scrutiny shall be entitled to withdraw his or her candidature in **Form 5** (Annexure 2) on **2nd December 2026** up to **17.00 hrs**.

(b) Any notice of withdrawal of candidature shall be final and shall not be allowed to be cancelled.

6. **Polling, Counting and Announcement of Results**

(a) Polling shall be conducted only for posts which remain unfilled i.e., those which are not deemed elected unopposed due to the number of contesting candidates being equal to the number of posts to be filled.

(b) Such polling shall be taken post-wise and shall commence at 12.00 hrs up to 15.00 hrs on 5th December 2026.

(c) At the poll, each member of the Electoral College whose name is included in the electoral roll in Form 1, shall be entitled to cast his or her vote independently and **by secret ballot**, in accordance with the following:

i. Cast one (1) vote for each of the elected posts remaining unfilled, where only one (1) such seat is to be filled; and
ii. Cast as many votes as are the number of seats to be filled for an elected post, where more than one (1) seat is to be filled.

7. Counting of votes shall be taken up post-wise and category-wise, as soon as may be, after the polling is complete. During the counting of votes, each Candidate **or** one authorized representative, shall have the right to be present. Such authorized representatives shall also be issued an ID-Card by the undersigned, without which they would not be allowed to be present.

8. The result of the polling shall be declared in Form 9 on 5th December 2026, indicating the names of the duly elected Candidates.

9. Additional information regarding the polling, counting and declaration of results including the form and manner in which candidates and voters would cast their vote, the form and manner in which the ballot paper must be filled and signed etc., shall be issued in due course of time.

10. This Notification may be published on the website of the IOA along with the Annexures 1 and 2, for information and necessary action of all concerned.

11.11.2026

Sanjay Kumar Srivasta, IAS (Retd.)
Electoral Officer (Returning Officer)
IOA Elections, 2026
Date: 11.11.2026
Place: New Delhi

Annexures:

1. Form 2 – Nomination Form
2. Form 5 – Notice of Withdrawal

Annexure 1

Form 2 – Nomination Form

Indian Olympic Association

Election of the Executive Council on 5th December, 2026

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION AS _____
(NAME OF THE ELECTED POST)

To

The Electoral Officer,

Indian Olympic Association

Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi – 110016

elections@olympic.ind.in

We nominate Shri/Smt./Ms. _____

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(name and address) for the above-mentioned Elected Post.

Our particulars are given below:

	Name	**Name of NSF Member/ Athletes' Committee/SOM Represented (as applicable)**	**Sl. No. in the Electoral Roll List**	**Signature**
Proposer				
Seconder				

I, the Candidate below named, do hereby give my assent to my nomination for the above Elected Post. Further, I certify and confirm that –

a) I am eligible to contest for the above-mentioned Elected Post as per the Articles of the Indian Olympic Association;

b) I am not currently undergoing, and am not required to undergo, any cooling-off period in relation to the above-mentioned Elected Post or barred from contesting for such Elected Post, as per the Indian Olympic Association Statutes, the National Sports Governance Act, 2025 or the National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2026, or under applicable law; and

c) the information provided hereinabove is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name & Gender of the Candidate: _____

Name of Member Represented/SOM/AC (as applicable): _____

Sl. No. in the Electoral Roll list: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Annexure 2

Form 5 – Notice of Withdrawal

Indian Olympic Association

Election of the Executive Council on 5th December, 2026

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATURE FOR ELECTION AS _____ (NAME OF THE ELECTED POST)

To

The Electoral Officer,

Indian Olympic Association

Olympic Bhawan, B-29, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi – 110016

elections@olympic.ind.in

I, the validly nominated Candidate, do hereby give my notice of withdrawal of candidature for the above Elected Post.

Name of the Candidate: _____

Name of Affiliate Unit Represented (as applicable):_____

Sl. No. in the Electoral Roll list: _____

Signature: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____