NORMS AND GUIDELINES LAID DOWN BY GBA TO BE FOLLOWED
IN SELECTION OF PLAYERS TO REPRESENT GUJARAT STATE WITH
EFFECT
FROM 1st MAY 2016

For Selection of Gujarat Badminton team the under mentioned guidelines will be considered.

(1) **Sub-Junior Category: (Under 13 & Under 15 age groups)**
Selection of player/s upto Sub-Junior category, i.e. in the U-13 and U-15 age groups, will be based on the points accumulated from performance of the players (both single & doubles) in Major Ranking Badminton tournaments, organized during the respective calendar year of GBA, till the Mini-National Championship.

(2) **Junior Category: (Under 17 & Under 19 age groups)**
Selection will be based on the points accumulated from the performance of the players (both single & doubles) in Major Ranking Badminton Tournaments organized during the respective calendar year of GBA, till the Junior Nationals Championship.

(3) **Senior Category & Junior under 19 age group**
   a. **West Zone Inter-State Tournament:**
   Team selection will be on the basis of the points accumulated from the performance of the players (single, doubles & mixed doubles) in the tournaments organized during the respective calendar year of GBA, prior to the West Zone meet.

   b. **Senior Nationals:**
   Team selection will be on the basis of the points accumulated from the performance of the players (single, doubles & mixed doubles) in Tournaments held till the Senior National Championship.
(4) **System for awarding the points based on performance in major ranking tournaments (Singles, Doubles & Mixed Doubles to be separately considered):**

- **First Round**: 1 Point
- **Pre Quarter-Finalist**: 2 Points
- **Quarter-Finalist**: 3 Points
- **Semi-Finalist**: 4 Points
- **Runner-up**: 5 Points
- **Winner**: 6 Points

(5) (a) The above norms are not exhaustive. Further guidelines in determining team selection are as under:

   In case of a tie on points in either Singles or Doubles category, following will be the criteria for resolving the issue and determining the selection of players:

   In case, the Singles Players/Doubles Teams concerned is/are involved in the tie have met in tournaments held in the year as mentioned above, their head-on count of victories will be taken into consideration in determining their ranking.

   If the players are even on head-to-head meetings, the winner of their last match is/are to be selected.

   If the players having equal ranking points have not played with each-other, then a selection match in-between them may have to be arranged.

   If an outstanding player/pair, had to concede the match during the major ranking tournament, due to some extra ordinary circumstances such as injury, illness, etc. he/she/they may be eligible for a selection rematch, if the selection committee decides so, depending upon the circumstances.

(b) It again needs to be emphasized that the above norms/guidelines are yet again not exhaustive. In exceptional circumstances, these can again be subject to change and need not be mandatorily followed, depending upon the decision of the Selection Committee, with the sole objective of strengthening the state team.
The selection committee shall be guided by the point system as mentioned above. The Points accumulated from major ranking tournaments is one of the selection criteria. However, it is not the only criteria. The decision of the selection committee of GBA, with respect to the selection of the state teams shall be final and binding to all the players. For selection of state team for team championship events, the Selection Committee, in the best interest of the state, can use its own discretion in selection of players which will be the final and binding to all concerned. Performance at national and international levels is also to be considered on case to case basis.

In case of any player/s not being able to participate in the major ranking tournament/s he/she/they must have the prior written permission from GBA.

(d) **For Singles Events:** A player who is ranked no. 2 (as per points gained in all selection tournaments) will have to play a trial against that player/s, who was/were on national duty if the selection committee deems it fit.

(e) **For Doubles & Mixed Doubles Events:** The Pair ranked No.1 (as per points gained in all selection tournaments) will have to play a trial against that players/Pair (who were on national duty). If the selection committee deems it fit.

(6) **Illustrative Cases:**

**Singles:**
If a leading player of the State fails to participate in Major Ranking Tournament/s, on account of exceptional and genuine circumstances vis-a-vis, prior engagement in BAI coaching camp/s, participation in recognized all India (BAI) tournament/s, illness, injury, taking training/coaching, participating in BWF recognized tournament/s/championship/s, Super Series in India or abroad, may not be on national duty, etc. coinciding with state level tournaments and thereby unable to secure sufficient points to maintain his/her ranking, such player/s may be selected if the selection committee deems it fit to select him/her as an exceptional selection criteria.

(7) **Doubles:**
If the top two doubles players of the State are split due to their pairing with different partners in state level tournaments, and in the opinion of the Selection Committee, splitting-up the combination and selecting one player from each pair would contribute to
a stronger combination and better representation of the state team, the same can be done.

Before taking any such decision, the Selection Committee should strive to ensure that proper justice is being done and that it is in the best interest of the state team that such an impartial decision is taken, so as to enhance the probabilities of the better performance of the state team, participating in the interstate/open meets.

(8) **GBA** has a contract with M/s. Sunrise Sports (I) Pvt. Ltd.* This contract and its conditions are binding on all registered players of **GBA**. Players must wear the official kit provided under this contract during all matches of Inter-State (including West Zone) and National Championship. This contract will supersede all other individual contracts, if any, entered into by a player/official for these tournaments. **GBA** reserves the right to restrict player/s from participating in the matches in the said tournament, if they do not follow the conditions of **GBA** contract.

* The above mentioned condition applies for M/s. Sunrise Sports (I) Pvt. Ltd. or any other sponsor/s with whom **GBA** may have contract/s for the respective year.

(9) The players registered only from Gujarat through its affiliated units (District Associations) shall be permitted to participate in Sub-Junior, Junior and Senior state selection and state championships.

The players affiliated to Railways, Petroleum Sports Control Board, Air India, Combined Universities, Post & Telegraph, etc. can take part in the remaining state level open/invitational tournament/s only on their birth right or have domicile status in Gujarat for a period of at least 6 months prior to the date of tournament.

(10) In case of player/s representing any other state than Gujarat and if they wish to represent Gujarat and participate in the selection/state championship tournament, they will have to get an NOC (no objection certificate) from their respective state before 30th June or before the start of the first state tournament of the respective calendar year, whichever is earlier. The NOC must be promptly submitted to Gujarat Badminton Association.
(11) Partnering any player other than from Gujarat state will have to procure an NOC (no objection certificate) from Gujarat Badminton Association before 30th June or before the start of the first state tournament of the respective calendar year, whichever is earlier. These players will not be allowed to participate in the Doubles/Mixed Doubles events of the state selection/state championship tournament/s in Gujarat in order to protect the interests of the other players from the state.

(12) GBA may organize preparatory camps prior to the Sub-Junior/Junior/Senior, West Zone, National Championships etc. It is mandatory for all the selected players to attend the camp from the commencement, till the conclusion of the camp, failing which, the entry shall be withdrawn from Gujarat team/individual entries. All players are requested to take a note of the same.

The sole intention of the Selection Committee is to ensure that the best available players are selected to represent GBA. Accordingly, in any situation/s, whether mentioned above, or otherwise, the Selection Committee is empowered to use its discretion and make the selection in the best interests of the team.

These norms and guidelines come to force with effect from 1st May 2016.

#GBA reserves the right to modify the norms and guidelines prior to commencement of the first major ranking tournament of each year.

With best wishes

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Gujarat Badminton Association