

**K-15012/1/2017-SP-IV**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports  
Department of Sports

**Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi**

6 Feb. 2017

**To**  
**As per list attached**

**Subject : Nominations for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna 2017.**

Sir,

I am directed to invite the nominations for the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna 2017 for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of four years.

2. To be eligible for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of four years immediately preceding the year during which award is to be given will be considered for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award for excellence in Sports & Games at international level i.e. Olympic/Asian/Commonwealth/World Games/Championships/World Cup and equivalent recognized international tournaments. Accordingly, sports achievements for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 to 31.12.2016 will be taken into consideration.

3. Sportspersons who have been penalized or against whom enquiry is pending/ongoing for use of drugs/substances banned by the World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) based on a sample collected by the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) or any other agency authorized by WADA and tested by National Dope Testing Laboratory or any other WADA accredited laboratory, will not be eligible for the Award.

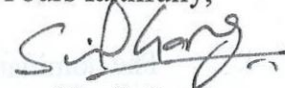
4. The nominations of the eligible sportspersons for the award must be sent in the prescribed proforma to Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Room No. 507 'C' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001. Last date for receipt of nominations is **28<sup>th</sup> April 2017** as 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017 are closed holiday.

5. Organizations, authorized signatories from whom nominations will be considered and number of nominations they can make are as follows:

- i) Indian Olympic Association – President/Secretary General (upto two nominations)
- ii) National Sports Federations (NSFs) – President/Secretary General (upto two nominations)
- iii) Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI): President/ Secretary (upto two nominations)

- iv) State/ UT Governments/ Sports Control/ Promotion Boards – An officer of not less than the rank of Secretary or Director (Sports) of the organization after taking due approval of the competent authority ((upto two nominations)
- v) Sports Authority of India- Director General/Secretary (upto two nominations), in addition to the quota to be exercised by it in respect of de-recognized/suspended NSFs
6. For the NSFs de-recognized or under suspension, Sports Authority of India (SAI) will exercise the quota of nominations and make nominations upto a maximum of two eligible sportspersons for each sports discipline with the approval of Director General, SAI.
7. Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Awardees of the previous years can also nominate one eligible sportsperson each for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award for the sports discipline for which they themselves were awarded Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna.
8. The concerned agencies should send the application in one lot only and should restrict the number of nominations as per the above guidelines. In case more nominations are made, first two/one nominations (as the case may be) will be considered.
9. Applications, which are not in the prescribed proforma, or not signed by the authorized signatory or are incomplete, or have been received after last date, that is, **28<sup>th</sup> April 2017, shall not be considered.**
10. It should be noted by all that canvassing in any form for/by an entry will render that entry liable to disqualification.
11. A copy of the scheme, alongwith prescribed proforma in which nominations of eligible sportspersons are to be sent, is enclosed for necessary information.

Yours faithfully,



(Sunil Garg)

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Copy also to:

1. PS to MOS(I/C) YA&S
2. PPS to Secretary (Sports)
3. PPS to Joint Secretary (Sports)

To:

1. The Secretary,  
Department of Youth Affairs &  
Sports, (All States and U.Ts)
2. The President/Secretary General,  
(All recognized National Sports  
Federations).
3. The President/Secretary General,  
Indian Olympic Association,  
B-29, Olympic Bhawan, Qutub  
Institutional Area,  
New Delhi.
4. President/Secretary,  
Board of Control for Cricket in India  
(BCCI)  
4th Floor, Cricket Centre  
Wankhede Stadium  
'D' Road, Churchgate  
Mumbai- 400020
5. Secretary,  
Services Sports Control Board,  
Room No.97, G Block, Armed Forces,  
Headquarters, Nirman Bhawan, New  
Delhi.
6. Secretary  
Railway Sports Promotion Board  
Room no. 452, 4th Floor,  
Ministry of Railways,  
Rail Bhavan,  
New Delhi – 110001
7. Secretary  
All India Police Sports Control Board  
25, Akbar Road,  
New Delhi
8. Secretary, Petroleum Sports  
Promotion Board,  
1012, Surya Kiran Building,  
19, Kasturba Gandhi Marg,  
New Delhi-110001
9. Secretary,  
Air India Sports Promotion Board  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Vayudoot Building,  
Safdarjung Airport,  
New Delhi.
10. Secretary,  
SAIL Sports Promotion Board  
Steel Authority of India Limited  
(SAIL),  
Corporate Office, Ispat Bhawan,  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi -110003
11. Secretary,  
Central Civil Services Cultural &  
Sports Board,  
361-B Wing, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,  
Lok Nayak Bhawan  
New Delhi-110 003
12. Director General,  
Sports Authority of India, New Delhi.