

## TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION OF INDIA AFFILIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION & INDIAN OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION

Dear All, November 11, 2020

The Table Tennis Federation of India (TTF) is planning to conduct the National Championships for the 2020 season separately (Cadet, Sub-Junior, Junior, Youth and Senior sections) in **SINGLES ONLY**, beginning the first week of January 2021.

We have decided to conduct separate National in all five events because of the restrictions due to COVID9-19 and as per the Central/State governments' guidelines and protocols. But before we finalize the dates, all the state affiliates of TTFI must complete their district and state championships before selecting the members that will represent the individual state in the singles Nationals—the results of which we need to upload on our site and send them to SAI for compliance.

Since we could not organize any National Ranking events this season because of COVID, the conduct of the Nationals are all the more important for players whose rankings would matter when it comes to selecting teams for future international events. Additionally, the ranking points will also help the players gain advantages like getting the opportunity to represent their states in Khelo India Games (both at the state and university levels), besides propelling their chances to benefit from scholarships/stipends, etc.

Hence, it is our advice that all state units of the TTFI must try and complete the district and state championships, as far as possible, by December 15, 2020, and send us the names of the selected players section-wise and details of the dates (event-wise) on which they are/were conducted. This will, in turn, help us seek permission from SAI/Sports Ministry or the local state authorities for organizing the Nationals at the proposed venues (Sonepat and Indore) on the decided dates. However, we are working on the dates as well as the venues (which event to be held where) and the prospectus for each event. They will be sent to you soon.

Most of you who attended the virtual meeting on Sunday (November 8, 2020) have been informed about our intention and the procedures to be followed as set out by TTFI and SAI.

Yet, we thought this circular will help you in exploring the possibilities of planning and conducting your district and state championships with the utmost care and seeking the state authorities' help on how to go about it. Please do approach your state authorities for booking venues or seeking advice and try and impress upon them about the significance of these championships and the necessity to complete your tasks at the state level.

To help you conduct the events, be at the district or the state level, we are attaching the broad-based guidelines that will come in handy. These guidelines are an amalgamation of Central Government/Sports Ministry and WHO/ITTF/TTFI protocols and the SOPs therein serve your purpose more than adequately as these are the methods that we would be following during the National Championships-2020.

For any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With regards

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