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Minutes of the Meeting

The Badminton Association of India (BAI) organized an online meeting via Zoom on **21.04.2026** to discuss and streamline the issues being faced during international tournaments.

Shri Prabhakar Rao welcomed all the athletes present in the online meeting. He informed the players that BAI has received multiple submissions highlighting issues related to payments and transportation during participation in international tournaments.

To address and resolve these concerns, Shri Sanjay Mishra, Hon'ble General Secretary, BAI, emphasized the need to discuss these matters in detail and invited suggestions from the para badminton players.

Key Decisions

1. Accommodation Payment

- 50% of the accommodation amount must be paid at the time of sending the entries. The rates for entry fees and accommodation must be strictly referred to from the official tournament prospectus available on the BWF website.
- The remaining amount must be paid at least 10 days before the deadline mentioned in the official tournament prospectus or as advised by BAI.
- Payments must be made strictly as per the official tournament prospectus or invoice. The prevailing currency exchange rate will apply. Any fluctuations will be settled as per actual rates.
- In case of non-payment within the stipulated time, BAI will withdraw the player's entry from the tournament.

2. Flight Details Submission

- Players are required to submit their flight details along with the duly filled form as specified by the organizer. The details must be sent to the official BAI email ID at least 2 days prior to the deadline mentioned in the official tournament prospectus. BAI will not be responsible for any delays or for transport not being provided by the organizer due to late submission.

3. Payment Policy

- Payments by third parties are strictly prohibited. Sponsors are not permitted to make payments directly to BAI or any academy. All payments must be made only by the player.

4. Support Staff Permission

- Players wishing to be accompanied by support staff must obtain prior approval from BAI. Approved support staff will be required to stay in the official hotel only.

5. BAI ID for Para Players

- Shri Sanjay Mishra informed that BAI will initiate the process of issuing BAI IDs to all Para Badminton players. Further details regarding the process will be shared in due course.

6. BAI Letter and Visa letter

- The BAI visa support letter for players and staff will be issued by BAI within three days after the completion of the online entry process for the international tournament.



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7. Eligibility Criteria for Participation in BWF Level 2 and Level 3 Tournaments

After detailed discussions regarding participation in international tournaments, the following eligibility criteria were decided:

A. BWF Level 2 Tournaments

Entries shall be permitted for:

- Players holding a BWF World Ranking within the Top 25 in their respective event/category;
- Finalists of BWF Level 3 tournaments; and
- Players securing positions within the Top 8 in the latest National Para Badminton Championships.

B. BWF Level 3 Tournaments

- Entries shall not be permitted for players holding a BWF World Ranking within the Top 12 in their respective event/category.

C. Special Consideration

- Olympic Games, Asian Championships, and World Championships medalists may be considered separately on a case-to-case basis.

D. Special Cases

- Any special matter relating to player participation shall be decided by the Secretary, Chairman, and Convenor of BAI, whose decision shall be final and binding in this regard.

Thanking you,

Warm regards.

Sanjay Mishra
Hony. General Secretary
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K. Prabhakar Rao
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