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PART ~ I

1.0. INTRODUCTION:

Since its bifurcation from the Department of School Education in 1986 and mandated with the task of promotion and development of youths and sports in the State, the Department of Sports and Youth Services has not been able to fully achieve desired goals. Attempts have been made to evolve a Sports Policy during the past but without much success. While Government has succeeded in establishing infrastructures like stadiums, standard playgrounds, indoor stadiums, sports complexes, academies etc. during the last few years, the absence of systematic planning and administrative structure hindered the development of sports. Abundance of natural sporting talent among the youths of Mizoram, manifested in spates of successes in national and international sports competitions, the natural landscape and topography of the State offering immense potential for development of adventure sports, potential of sports as a measure to improve the health of the general population, as a solution for various problems associated with youth, as a source of employment generation and Sports-tourism as a major sector for achieving economic growth has come to be realized, leading to the need to articulate an effective Sports Policy.

Through this policy, the Government proposes to lay the foundation of a dynamic sports system, based on transparency, irreversibility and inclusiveness, integrated with the policies and schemes of the State Government and the Government of India.

2.0. POLICY VISION:

To develop a robust culture achieving universal participation and excellence in the highest level of sports.

3.0. POLICY PRINCIPLES:

To achieve the vision laid out above, the following principles will guide the policy in its implementation:

3.1. Ethical and Value Based:

- Promotion of fairplay, dedication and competitive spirit
- Implementation of strong sports ethics and practices
- Using sports to promote human excellence and values

3.2. Inclusiveness, Accessibility and Affordability:

- Accessibility and equality of opportunity for every member of society irrespective of caste, religion, age, ethnicity, race or gender
- Affordability for the weaker sections of society
- Concern for the specially-abled, women and senior citizens

3.3. Sustainable and Irreversible Development:

- Maximum utilization of available resources
- Encouragement to practices that promote good health and prevention of diseases
- Development of management strategies for achievement of an efficient, effective and self-sustaining mode for infrastructures

3.4. System-driven Excellence:

- Systematization of processes designed to achieve highest performance levels
- Skill development of local talents through scientifically proven methods.

3.5. Good Governance:

- Application of technology and best practices
- Transparency in methods of funding and selection of sportspersons

- Collaboration and coordination with stakeholders to achieve desired goals

3.6. Convergence:

- Harmonious convergence with existing schemes and policies of State Government Departments and Government of India.

3.7. Sports as Industry:

- Broadening the scope of Sports as an “Industry” for achievement of social and economic goals.

4.0. POLICY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

With the underlying theme of “Fit people make fit Nations”, goals and objectives of the policy are:

- To emphasise on improving existing sports infrastructure by providing improved sports facilities at all levels.
- To integrate sports in the education system for promotion and development of sports and youths in schools and colleges.
- To promote research and scientific study on sports.
- To lay into place an effective administrative and management system for academies, hostels, sport complexes and other sports infrastructures for youth training and development.
- To develop strategies for systematic identification and development of potential high performance athletes.
- To equip coaches with scientific support and knowledge and opportunity to sportsperson to have access to quality coaching.
- To utilize sports as a tool for social and economic development and promotion of positive values.
- To develop effective methodology for organizing competitions at various levels.
- To promote and develop Adventure Sports, Sports Tourism and Indigenous Sports And Games.
- To promote and encourage the participation of private organisations for development and research in sports.
- To encourage the active participation of ‘specially-abled persons’, women and the aged in sports and games.
- To provide opportunities to participate in sports for fun, health, social interaction and relaxation.
- To ensure that all sportspersons and organisations participating in competitive sports adhere to a code of ethics and code of conduct
- To provide incentives and rewards for high performance.

- To ensure that the roles and responsibilities of sports bodies and associations in the sports system are clearly defined in the context of organisational capacity to achieve system objectives.
- To coordinate with other departments and stakeholders for development of sports, youth services and sports tourism for convergence of schemes.

5.0. DELIVERABLES AND OUTCOMES:

The following outcomes are expected from successful implementation of the policy:

- Values of fair play, ethical practices, dedication, discipline and a commitment to doping-free sports, are cherished and idealized.
- An inbuilt system where sport is inclusive, accessible and affordable, providing equality of opportunity for all sections of society.
- Broad-based sports with larger number of athletes participating in more diversified, recreational and competitive sporting disciplines enhancing the health and well-being of the people.
- Decrease in delinquency, social evils and crime thereby creating a peaceful, safer, stronger and united society.
- Involvement of all the concerned Government Departments, autonomous bodies, institutions and associations in a cohesive and coordinated manner for creation of sports culture.
- Upgradation and application of scientific research and techniques related to sports bringing about all round development and achievement of excellence in sports.
- Good governance.
- Enhancement of the State economy through sports tourism, adventure and water sports and generation of employment through broadening the scope of sports as an 'Industry'.

PART ~ II

FRAMEWORK AND STRATEGIES

6.0. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT:

The availability of adequate sports facilities is basic to the development and broad basing of Sports. Government shall plan development of sports infrastructure in the state in a phased manner so that necessary infrastructure is built up over a period of time. While management and sustaining strategies will be formulated for existing play fields and stadia, both in rural and urban areas, steps will be taken to prepare low cost functional and environment friendly designs in this regard, so that maximum benefits could be derived from relatively low levels of investments.

6.1. DISTRICT STADIUM:

District Stadium will be created in all remaining districts which do not yet have a stadium. A progressive Public Private Partnership model will be brought in by the Department of Sports and Youth Services to undertake construction and upgradation of district sports infrastructures.

6.2. SPORTS ACADEMIES/TRAINING CENTRES:

The State will upgrade and develop the existing sports academies and continue to open more academies for excellence in priority sports. These academies will provide specialized training from early age; best facilities; and national/international exposure to talented youths. Talented youths identified on the basis of scientific methods through a systematic competition structure will be admitted to these academies. The performance of each of its trainees will be meticulously monitored in a continuous process and stagnated and poor performers will be weeded out, thus bringing in accountability on the part of the athlete and Coach. Trained and technically qualified Coaches as well as veteran sportspersons with flair and aptitude for coaching will be motivated to supervise and guide the training programmes of athletes admitted to these academies. These academies will serve as a base to achieve objectives such as:

- Specialized training centres in select disciplines (Individual sports as core)
- Scientific assessment and training with modern tools and equipment
- Achievement of high performance
- Preparation of junior athletes to adopt pathways to grow into national and international reckoning.

6.3. SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

Existing sports infrastructure in schools, colleges and universities are very much inadequate. The State shall endeavor to support upgradation of existing infrastructure, provide playfields and game facilities to all schools, colleges and universities as far as possible, through existing schemes.

6.4. PLANNING FOR URBAN SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE:

As a measure of long term planning, land requirement for sports complexes and stadiums will be reserved or earmarked in the development plans of urban development authorities and by the Land Revenue and Settlement Department. Such facilities will be made accessible to all persons, contribute to inclusive growth and provide opportunities, especially for urban youths, to take up outdoor activities where playfields are fast disappearing. In this regard, sports facilities in schools and colleges will be made accessible to all persons for sports and health related activities during post school/college hours.

6.5. RURAL SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE:

Steps will be taken to evolve low cost, functional and eco-friendly designs for rural sports infrastructure. Existing infrastructure will be upgraded and developed and efforts will be made to provide basic sports infrastructure in every village in the State.

6.6. PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP:

The Public Private Partnership model will be explored to motivate the private sector to offer innovative models for sports development by way of building infrastructure, talent identification and nurturing, organizing competitions and bringing in world class technological solutions. This model can offer opportunities to the private sector to go beyond short term financial gains and enter into emerging sectors like Sports Tourism and Adventure Sports and become more socially relevant, enhancing the value of Corporate Social Responsibility.

7.0. INTEGRATION WITH INDUSTRY:

With a view to develop and promote sports and youths in the State, Government will declare sports as an 'Industry'. The intention is not industrial growth per se, but the recognition of the potential of sports to develop in the State as an 'Industry' and to avail its benefits for the development of sports. Sports as an 'Industry' will be directed towards the all round development of the State, with special focus on promotion of sports by providing opportunities for gainful and

sustainable employment and development in the industrial and allied sectors for youths in the State.

8.0. INTEGRATION WITH EDUCATION SYSTEM:

In line with the National Sports Policy, the State will endeavour to make sports and physical literacy as an integral part of the education system. Sports and Youth Services, School Education and Health and Family Welfare Departments will collaboratively develop a physical literacy and sports development based curriculum. Sports shall be taken up as a compulsory subject to be taught in Schools in the primary and secondary school level. A fitness programme will be introduced in all schools in the State in a phased manner and marks obtained in Physical Examination will be reflected in the mark sheet. Action will be taken to provide physical education teachers in educational institutions through, inter-alia, the training of selected teachers in these disciplines. An appropriate Inter-school and Inter-College/University competition structure would be introduced at the state and District levels.

9.0. PRIORITIZING OF SPORTS DISCIPLINES:

In line with Union Government policy of achievement of excellence in sports, various sports disciplines in which Mizoram can achieve excellence, will be prioritized on the basis of proven potential, popularity and international performance. Emphasis will be placed on the development of such prioritized disciplines and will be reviewed from time to time. Specialized training will be provided to talented and outstanding sportspersons to enable them to achieve higher levels of performance.

10.0. FORMULATION OF SPORTS COMPETITION CALENDAR:

Competition is the soul of sports. A comprehensive Annual Sports Competition Calendar shall be formulated. The calendar shall take into account factors like National, Zonal and Regional competitions and academic calendars of schools and colleges in the State and strike a balance between these factors, thereby blending them into a harmonious integration. Competitions will be organised for Cadet/Sub-junior, Junior and Senior Categories at the Block, District and State Levels. All recognised associations shall conduct competitions as per the calendar developed by the Government. A systematically formulated competition calendar shall enable sportspersons to plan their training schedule for each level of competition and will provide enhanced motivation levels for achievement of excellence.

11.0. COACH UPGRADATION AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT:

The policy fully recognises that coaching is to be pursued in a more professional manner. Concerted efforts will be made to upgrade the skills of coaches in line with latest international standards. Moreover, promising persons will be trained as Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Trainers and deputed to undergo seminars, conferences and witness national and international level sports events so that they remain abreast with latest developments in their fields. The State will endeavour to create a large pool of coaches and trainers by imparting training to promising persons especially from the rural areas to advise and assist village and block level sports clubs, committees and associations, so that general standard of any sports discipline is raised and improved.

12.0. INCENTIVES:

Recognition of successes of sportspersons and coaches by providing incentives is an effective way of promoting excellence in sports. Such incentives will enhance their prestige and motivate them to achieve higher levels of performance and produce better results.

- (1). The State will constitute the ***Mizoram Sports Awards*** by making necessary modifications in the existing Mizoram Incentive Cash Awards Scheme and will make necessary amendmends to the said scheme from time to time.
- (2). The State will render full support and encouragement to sportspersons in the State to avail various State and Central Government schemes for their benefit, such as reservations in employment, admissions in academic institutions, trainings and scholarships, pension benefits, insurance etc.
- (3). Alongside sportspersons, suitable incentives will be provided to coaches, judges, referees, to develop their skills and enhance their experience.
- (4). In all Public Private Partnership projects and private funded projects, the state will endeavor to encourage engagement of sports persons by the developers.
- (5). State government employees who win medals at government approved senior national level competitions shall be recommended for advance increments in their salaries.
- (6). Schools, colleges, associations, clubs or any other stakeholders grooming a player will be rewarded by way of grants based on the performance of the player.

- (7) The State will endeavour to widen the scope of incentives to include welfare measures for sportspersons, scholarships, reservations/weightages/out of turn promotions in employment and admissions to schools and colleges for sportspersons.

13.0. SPORTS TOURISM:

The Policy recognises that Sports Tourism is an area of tourism which has established itself as the fastest growing market in world tourism. Mizoram has a huge potential for promotion and development of adventure tourism requiring minimal infrastructure. An integrated development of sports, especially Adventure Sports and Sports Tourism will be sought to generate substantial revenue through ensuring high volume of tourist traffic from within the country and from overseas, while simultaneously promoting a sports fitness culture in the State.

14.0. MASS MEDIA:

The role of mass media is central to the popularisation of sports amongst the people at large. The electronic media, including national broadcasters, private Cable TV Operators, the print media and 'social media' would be suitably mobilized for strengthening the sports culture in the State.

15.0. ASSET MANAGEMENT:

While the State has been laying stress on the creation and development of sports infrastructures, this Policy recognizes the importance of continuous maintenance and management of these infrastructures for sustained development of sports. A proper management mechanism involving all stake holders will be set up by the State to achieve this objective.

All infrastructures created out of Government funds shall be placed under the control of the Government and a management mechanism involving a mode of operation where sports infrastructures are either directly managed by the Government or placed under reliable organizations, or managed through partnerships shall be formulated. Such infrastructures shall, as far as practicable, be made self sustaining and financially independent by properly exploiting their commercial potential.

To make optimal use of sports stadiums and sports infrastructures including those existing in educational institutions, a suitable institutional frame work shall be formulated so that they could be used by different organisations and sportsmen of the state.

Issues relating to land ownerships for construction of sports infrastructures shall be settled before the actual commencement of construction.

16.0. ADVENTURE SPORTS, WATER SPORTS AND MOTOR SPORTS:

The Policy fully recognises the relative advantage and potential of the State in Adventure Sports, including Water Sports and Motor Sports. Mizoram is blessed with beautiful landscape, amazing weather and topography, making it a potential top destination for sports like Rock Climbing, Hiking, Camping, Trekking, Caving and Mountaineering, Parasailing, Canoeing, Rafting, Kayaking etc. A study group will be formed to work out a detailed strategy in this regard. Adventure Sports, Water Sports and Motor Sports infrastructure will be developed in collaboration with Tourism Department and other suitable Government Departments and private organizations.

17.0. SPORTS TALENT IDENTIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT:

The State recognizes the huge untapped potential of raw talent especially in the rural areas. Talent hunts will be conducted across the state annually to select talented sportspersons to be admitted to academies and sports hostels. A game specific scientific method shall be developed in collaboration with the Sports Authority of India for identification of talents. Teams, which shall include a senior Coach of the concerned game and a sports medicine specialist, shall be constituted for identification and selection. This scheme for talent identification shall be integrated with the competition structure of various sports disciplines.

17.1. COACHING CAMPS AND NON-RESIDENTIAL TRAINING:

Coaching Camps shall be conducted round the year in all Block and District Headquarters for all age groups thereby creating a large pool of skilled and high level sportspersons. Technology will be utilized to track the performance of these players.

To fully optimize the available trained manpower in the Department of Sports and Youth Services and to provide specialized coaching to all sports enthusiasts, Non-Residential Training Programmes shall be conducted in all District Headquarters.

18.0. COORDINATION WITH STAKE HOLDERS:

The State recognises that to fulfill the objectives of this policy, Departments of the State Government like Rural Development Department, Public Works Department, Tourism Department, Higher and Technical Education Department, School Education Department, Land Revenue and Settlement Department, Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation Department, Deputy Commissioners of the Districts, Autonomous District Councils, Urban Local Bodies, Mizoram Olympic Association, Mizoram State Sports Council, State and District Level Sports

Associations, concerned ministries of the Government of India such as the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and the Sports Authority of India etc. will be coordinated to demonstrate orientation towards the achievement of the objectives of this Policy.

The Department of Sports and Youth Services will have to play a crucial role in this regard in the matter of implementation, co-ordination, monitoring and evaluation.

19.0. RESOURCE MOBILIZATION AND CONVERGENCE WITH OTHER SCHEMES:

The State recognises that implementation of this Policy will necessitate the introduction of major initiatives to mobilise sufficient human and financial resources.

19.1. MOBILISATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES:

Youth organisations and Non-Governmental Organisations such as the Young Mizo Association, Mizo Hmeichhia Insuihkhawm Pawl, Mizoram Upa Pawl, Nartional Social Service, Nehru Yuva Kendra etc. will be mobilised to play important roles for development and promotion of sports. Apart from dovetailing Central and State schemes for rural and urban infrastructure, Village Councils/Panchayats will be charged with the responsibility of identifying an active local institution such as the Village Sports and Games Committee, Young Mizo Association, Mizo Hmeichhia Insuihkhawm Pawl, Mizoram Upa Pawl, Nartional Social Service, Nehru Yuva Kendra etc. to organise sports and games in the villages.

19.2. ROLE OF PRIVATE SECTOR (Corporate social responsibility):

The State recognizes the potential available with the private sector for promotion and development of sports culture in the state. The Corporate Sector will be encouraged to adopt players who can reach international levels; to develop sports infrastructure and be actively involved in its management; to support tournaments and sport leagues and to undertake activities in advocacy; to encourage mass participation and create awareness on the beneficial effects of sports. Suitable guidelines will be issued by the Government in this regard.

19.3. CONVERGENCE:

Existing schemes under State and Central Government shall be converged with the Policy, wherever appropriate, to enable creation of sports infrastructures.

20.0. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND SPORTS:

The State will endeavour to integrate physical education and sports as a major activity in all youth development programmes undertaken by the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), National Social Service (NSS), Bharat Scouts and Guides and Non Governmental Organisations by providing specialised training in sports and games for Youth Coordinators and Volunteers; organising practice and competitions in Sports and Games at their national and other Camps; using sports as an Entry Point Activity in Community Development Programmes and using role models from Sports for inducing desirable behavioural change.

21.0. INDIGENOUS GAMES:

The Policy recognises that Indigenous Games are an activity which advances community pride and self-confidence, where expertise and facilities are locally available and where local spectator participation and even international rural tourism is likely to be generated. The State shall encourage and promote indigenous games of the Mizos so as to secure national and international recognition. The current situation in the State will be evaluated and necessary structural arrangements will be made to achieve this objective.

22.0. SPORTS FOR DIFFERENTLY-ABLED, OLD PERSONS AND WOMEN:

The State will make special efforts in promoting Sports among persons with disabilities, senior citizens and women by raising awareness and enhancing accessibility and participation.

The State shall develop affirmative programs for the differently-abled to enable them to take to sports with confidence and realize their potential without inhibition. They will be considered eligible for cash awards at par with other athletes as recommended in this policy. Sports facilities shall be made 'friendly' in a phased manner.

23.0. COMPETITION STRUCTURE:

The Policy recognises the need for a well organised, standard sports competition structure in the State. A systematically planned multi-level sports competition structure shall be laid into place to enable sportspersons to achieve sporting excellence. Competitions shall be organised at different levels at the Block Level (inter-village), at the District Level (inter -Block) and at the State Level (inter -District) so as to extend its reach to every village in the State with an appropriate award system for performers.

24.0. SPORTS SCIENCE:

The Policy recognizes that application of scientific knowledge and technology constitutes an indispensable and necessary element in modern sports for achievement of excellence and in developing and nurturing talent. The State will encourage and take steps to provide higher levels of learning whereby a pool of trained personnel will be created in various branches of sports sciences in the State such as -

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| (a) Exercise Physiology, | (b) Sports Medicine |
| (c) Sports Psychology, | (d) Sports Anthropometry |
| (e) Sports Bio-Chemistry, | (f) Sports Bio-Mechanics |
| (g) Sports Physiotherapy, | (h) Sports Coaching |
| (i) Sports Nutrition | (i) Sports Physiology |

25.0. SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS:

Sports Associations/Bodies will be provided with maximum support to conduct and participate in State and National level events. As per performance of athletes, support will be provided in terms of coaches, sports science support, equipments, camps and other need based support.

At the same time, steps will be taken to bring more transparency, accountability and professionalism in the working of sports associations. Long term plans will be defined in discussion with them. To inspire achievement of higher levels of excellence, steps will be taken to evolve a rating system for the sports associations based on performance.

25.1. REGULATION AND RECOGNITION OF SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS:

Model bye-laws and organisational structures shall be formulated for the State Level Sports Associations, in consultation with them, to ensure that the associations maintain certain basic standards, norms and procedures with regard to their internal functioning and with regard to the high principles and objectives laid down by this Policy and which are also in consonance with the principles laid down in the Olympic Charter. Existing guidelines for recognition will be reviewed and changes will be made as required to necessitate the associations to submit detailed documents like annual report, audited accounts, details of competitions held, utilization certificates in respect of Government grants etc. Such Guidelines may also include information such as current legal status, recognition by National Federations, Statewide spread, role and contribution in promoting and development of sports, conduct of championships across age groups, financial and managerial accountability, fair and transparent elections etc.

Government will also formulate guidelines for recognition for Non-Olympic Sports and Indigenous Games.

25.2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE LEVEL ASSOCIATIONS:

For giving financial assistance to State level associations a self contained transparent policy shall be framed to ensure regular activity and at the same time encourage them to create their own sources of revenue to obviate total dependence on the State.

26.0. INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISM:

The State recognizes that various structural adjustments will have to be made for successful implementation of the Policy. Steps will be taken as below to achieve this end:

26.1. STRENGTHENING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS AND YOUTH SERVICES:

The Department of Sports and Youth Services shall be restructured and strengthened by providing adequate manpower and technical resources such as Engineers, Sports Science specialists, Sports Medicine Doctors and other officers to meet demands of the highest level of sports. District Offices with adequate manpower such as Coaches, Adventure Sports Organizers, Scout and Guides Organizers, Clerical staff etc. shall be established in all districts which do not already have a district office, to provide logistical and technical support.

26.2. DISTRICT SPORTS COMMITTEE:

The organizational structure of the District Sports Committee shall be reviewed and strengthened. To infuse into the District Committees the principles of accountability and transparency, it shall be put under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner with the District Sports and Youth Services Officer/ Officer in Charge of Sports and Youth Services, as Member Secretary. Apart from representatives of all sports associations, Government Departments such as Education, Rural Development, Public Works, Land Revenue and Settlement etc. will be included. The District Committee shall be responsible for implementation of the Policy and all matters related to Sports and Youth activities in accordance with rules, regulations and guidelines of the Government, within their respective Districts.

26.3. BLOCK SPORTS COMMITTEE:

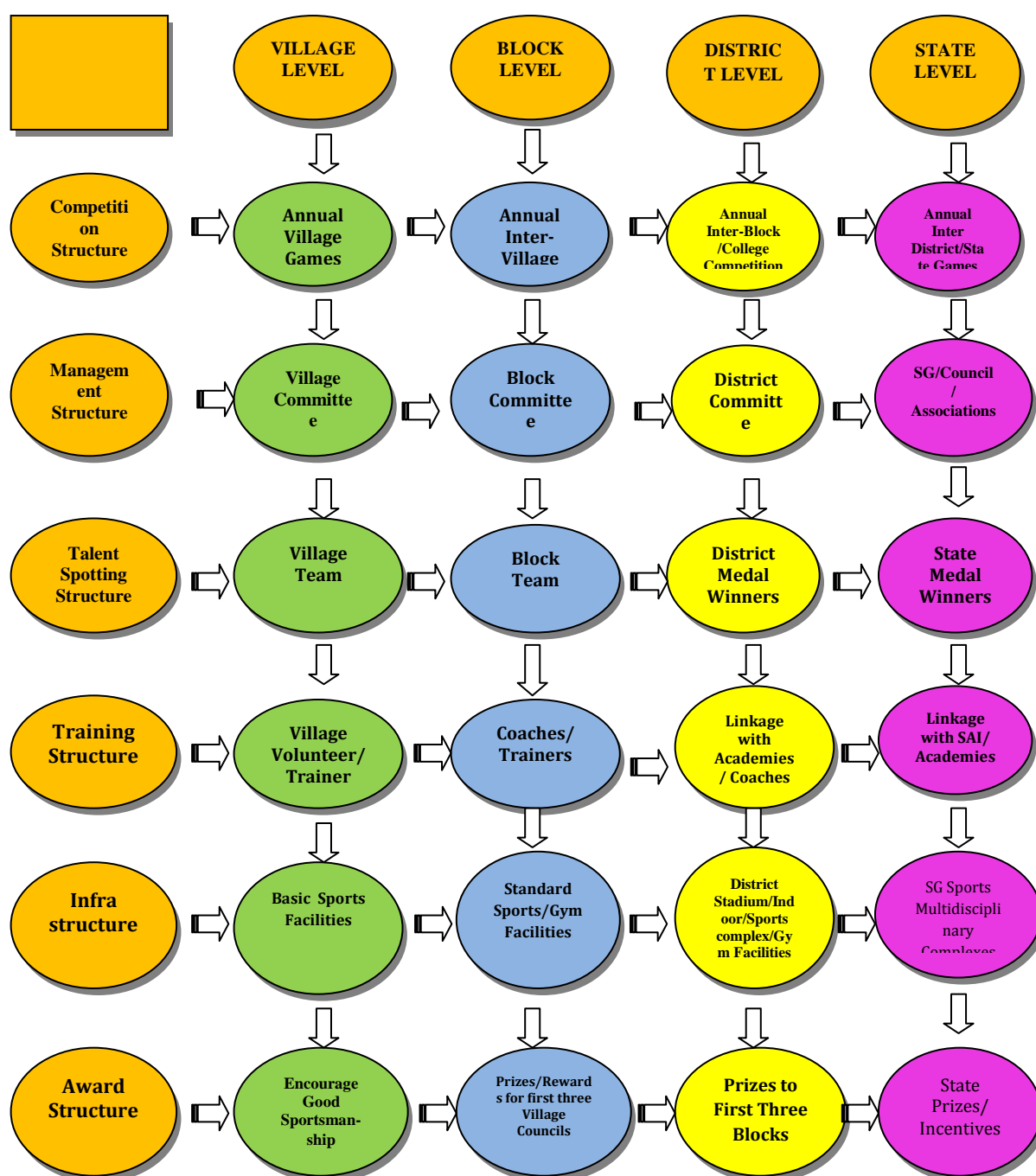
A committee shall be formed at the Block Level to implement and monitor the Policy under the Chairmanship of the Block Development Officer and comprising representatives of the Sports and Youth Services Department, Sports Committees, Education Officers, relevant Government Departments and Village Councils.

26.4. VILLAGE SPORTS COMMITTEES:

Village Level Committees will be constituted under the Chairmanship of the President, Village Council and comprising of Headmasters of Schools, Sports Volunteers, Sports and Games Associations to implement the Policy.

27.0. SPORTS DEVELOPMENT MATRIX:

The policy fully recognises that development in sports can occur only through a system whereby various factors such as the Competition Structure, Management Structure, Talent Identification Structure, Infra-structure, Training Structure and Award Structure are integrated into a single whole from the grassroots level. Therefore, initiatives under this policy shall be taken along this principle.



28.0. INTEGRATION WITH YOUTH POLICY:

In consonant with the Sports Policy, a comprehensive Youth Policy shall be formulated by the State as per guidelines laid down by the National Youth Policy, 2014, whose main provisions are tabulated below, for development of Youth.

OBJECTIVE	PRIORITY	FUTURE IMPERATIVES
1. Create a productive workforce that can make a sustainable contribution to India's economic development	Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build system capacity and quality • Promote skill development and lifelong learning
	Employment and Skill Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted youth outreach and awareness • Build linkages across systems and stakeholders • Define role of government vis-a-vis other stakeholders
	Entrepreneurship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted youth outreach programmes • Scale-up effective programmes to build capacity • Create customised programmes for youth entrepreneurs • Implement widespread monitoring & evaluation systems
2. Develop a strong and healthy generation equipped to take on future challenges	Health and Healthy Lifestyle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve service delivery • Awareness about health, nutrition and preventive care • Targeted disease control programmes for youth
	Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase access to sports facilities and training • Promotion of sports culture among youth • Support and development for talented sports persons
3. Instil social values and promote community service to build national ownership	Promotion of Social Values	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formalise values education system • Strengthen engagement programmes for youth • Support NGOs and for-profit organisations working towards spreading values and harmony
	Community Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leverage existing community development organisations • Promote social entrepreneurship
4. Facilitate participation and civic engagement at all levels of governance	Participation in politics and governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage youth outside of the political system • Create governance mechanisms that youth can leverage • Promote youth engagement in urban governance
	Youth engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure and monitor effectiveness of youth development schemes • Create a platform for engagement with youth
5. Support youth at risk and create equitable opportunity for all disadvantaged & marginalised youth	Inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enablement & capability building for disadvantaged youth • Ensuring economic opportunities for youth in conflict-affected regions • Develop a multi-pronged approach to supporting youth with disability • Create awareness and opportunities to prevent youth being put at risk
	Social Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leveraging youth to eliminate unjust social practices • Strengthen access to justice at all levels

29.0. GOOD GOVERNANCE:

The implementation of any policy depends on transparency of systems, merit rulings and integrity of persons administering the system. The goal of this policy will be merit based selection to sports bodies and sports teams, transparency across all facets and strict enforcement of accountability. The State will undertake steps to ensure application of principles of good governance in sports administration. Guidelines will be issued for regulation of sports in public interest whose need arises out of several considerations such as the need for eradication of doping, prevention of fraud, prevention of child abuse and sexual harassment, protection of gender equality, prevention of betting and gambling and addressing anti-trust and competition policy issues related to sports. Mechanism for addressing grievances of the stake holders will also be established.

Universal principles of good governance will apply to all activities, agencies, bodies and administration. Steps will be taken to ensure that the conduct of sports bodies in the state will be governed by clear, transparent and fair rules. Guidelines will be issued to ensure that there is no conflict of interests.

The Government will review and revise its Grant-in-Aid policy so that it is in alignment with the goals and objectives of this policy and also to enforce the accountability of the grant receivers. The Government will also fix a measureable objective for every agency getting Grant-in-Aid from the Government for carrying out sports activities.

Information technology and modern management techniques shall be used to track performance of coaches, administrators and sports talent inductees. The Department of Sports and Youth Affairs shall make extensive use of information technology tools for dissemination of relevant information on matters relating to sports to the various stakeholders, media and public at large. The Directorate of Sports and Youth Services shall setup and maintain an interactive website that shall contain necessary and up to date information on matters relating to schemes, sports infrastructure, coaches, athletes, clubs, district sports associations, state associations etc. The website shall, inter alia, host information relating to the rules of various sports disciplines, results of various championships conducted in the state and elsewhere and sports infrastructure. There shall be a data bank of all sportspersons along with their performance so as to evaluate their performance on regular basis to achieve excellence in sports. There shall be a periodic analysis of each sportsperson by setting targets and evaluating the same.

30.0. POLICY REVIEW:

This Sports Policy will be periodically reviewed to accommodate and integrate technological changes, progress in the achievement of goals laid down in this policy, changes in needs of sportspersons in various fields as well as changes in National Policies.

GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Dated Aizawl, the 19th Nov., 2019

No.B.16012/3/2003-SYS/Vol-I : As per approval of the Council of Ministers in its meeting held on 8.11.2019 conveyed vide No.J.11011/1/2019-POL/Vol-V dt. 14.11.2019 and In the interest of public service, the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to notify 'The Mizoram Sports Policy, 2019' with immediate effect and until further orders.

Sd/-H. LALENGMAWIA

Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram,
Sports & Youth Services Department

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