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NOTE ON FORMATION OF THE BODIES AS PER THE AIFF CONSTITUTION, 2025

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<https://www.the-aiff.com/media/uploads/2025/12/AIFF-Constitution.pdf>

A. AIFF NATIONAL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION (NPA)

The NPA is an independent body represented by football players. However, it is not a separate legal entity and therefore has no authority to act on behalf of AIFF or to represent it towards any third parties. The NPA has no authority to legally bind or commit AIFF in any way. (*Sch IV, Article 1.4*)

I. Eligibility (*Sch IV, Article 2.1*)

Player must be minimum **18 years** of age and satisfy **one of** the following eligibility criteria:

- (a) Should have represented India once or more at the senior level in men's or women's football;
- (b) Should have represented India in 5 (five) or more matches at the age group level in men's or women's football; or
- (c) Should have represented a club in 5 (five) or more matches at the Indian Super League, I-League, Women Super League, Futsal Club Championship, Super Cup tournaments or a State of India in 5 (five) or more matches at the Santosh Trophy or the National Games.

II. Composition

i. Office Bearers- (*Sch IV, Article 2.2*)

- (a) Chairperson;
- (b) Treasurer;
- (c) Secretary

ii. To be eligible to be an office-bearer at the NPA, a candidate must: (*Sch IV, Article 2.3*)

- (a) Be at least 18 years of age at the time of election;
- (b) Be a citizen of India;
- (c) Never have received any sanction in relation to the World Anti-Doping Code; and



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(d) Never have been sanctioned for a breach (except for minor breaches and / or breaches not related to sports administration or a breach occurring with no fault or with a very light negligence) of the AIFF Constitution and its bye-laws, rules and Regulations.

- iii. A minimum of 1 (one) office bearer in the NPA Board shall be a **woman**. *(Sch IV, Article 2.4)*
- iv. The **elections for the office bearers** of the NPA board shall be conducted by the **AIFF Election Committee**. *(Sch IV, Article 2.5)*

III. Term

- i. The length of the term of office bearers of the NPA board is 4 (four) years and a person shall not be eligible to hold office for more than 2 (two) terms. *(Sch IV, Article 3)*

IV. Election Procedure for Eminent Players *(Sch IV, Article 7)*

- i. The NPA is responsible for electing 15 (fifteen) Eminent Players (as defined in the AIFF Constitution) with a minimum of 5 (five) women players, who shall be voting members of the General Body of AIFF.
- ii. A public notice shall be issued at least 30 (thirty) days prior to the AIFF General Body meeting where elections are to be conducted, calling for nominations from 'Eminent Players' so that elections for the posts of Eminent Players at the AIFF General Body can be conducted.

V. Relevant Forms

- i. FORM 1: APPLICATION FOR THE PLAYER TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NPA
(Pg 127-128 of the AIFF Constitution)
- ii. FORM 2: NOMINATION FORM BY THE PLAYER TO BE AN OFFICE BEARER IN THE NPA
(Pg 129-130 of the AIFF Constitution)
- iii. FORM 3: NOMINATION BY THE PLAYER TO BE ELECTED AS AN EMINENT PLAYER
(Pg 131-132 of the AIFF Constitution)

All the forms are attached below for your reference.

Relevant Definition-

1.19 "Eminent Player" shall mean a past Football player, who has been retired for at least 2 (two) years, and has represented India at the senior level in at least 5 (five) competitive matches sanctioned by FIFA/AFC if he is a male and at least 2 (two) competitive matches sanctioned by FIFA/AFC if she is a



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female. The date of retirement shall be reckoned from the last appearance of the player in an official match as defined in AIFF/FIFA Statutes.

Note: All applicants are required to submit the duly completed forms, in the prescribed formats mentioned above, to the National Players Association at npa@the-aiff.com. The completed forms must be submitted no later than 11th January 2026.

FORM 1: APPLICATION FOR THE PLAYER TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NPA

I, Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, s/o, m/o, d/o
_____ being the R/o

_____ want to be a member of the National Players' Association.

I affirm that:

1. I am a citizen of _____;
2. I have completed the age of ____;
3. I have paid the requisite membership fee for the National Players' Association, which is Rs. _____;
4. I have represented India once or more at the senior level in men's or women's football: (provide details) _____; or

I have represented India in five or matches at the age group level in men's or women's football: (provide details) _____; or

I have represented a club in five or more matches at the Indian Super League/I-League/Women Super League/Futsal Club Championship/Super Cup tournaments/State of India in five or more matches at the Santosh Trophy or the National Games. Provide details: (attach sheet if required)

_____;

5. I have attached my Government Identification bearing identification number _____;
6. My medals have not been rescinded;
7. I have annexed my statement on reasons to be a member of the National Players' Association;
8. My contact number is _____ and email id is _____;
9. I have gone through the eligibility criteria for the NPA and that I satisfy each condition;
10. I have never been sanctioned for a breach of the AIFF Constitution and its bye-laws, rules and Regulations; and

11. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for the membership of the National Players' Association.

Date:

Place:

Signature of Candidate

FORM 2: NOMINATION FORM BY THE PLAYER TO BE AN OFFICE BEARER IN THE
NPA

PART - I

*Recent stamp size (2cm
X 2.5cm) photograph in
white/off white
background with full
face view.*

I Nominate Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, s/o,
m/o _____ being the
R/o _____ for the Post of
_____ in the Board of the National Players' Association.

My name is _____ and is entered at Sl. No. _____ in the Player's
Register.

	Name and Address of Proposer/Seconder	S. No. in Electoral College List of proposer/seconder	Signature of Proposer/ Seconder
Proposer			
Seconder			

PART - II

I, the candidate mentioned in Part I of this Form, assent to this nomination and hereby declare that:

1. I am a citizen of India;
2. I am less than 70 (seventy) years of age on the date of submitting this application and I have completed the age of _____years;
3. My name and my father's/mother's/husband's name have been correctly spelt out above in _____(name of the language);
4. I have never been convicted by a court of law;
5. I do not have charges framed against me by any court of law in India (if applicable, provide details);
6. I have never received any sanction in relation to the World Anti-Doping Code; and
7. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for being chosen as _____in the Board of National Players' Association.

Date:

Place:

Signature of Candidate

FORM 3: NOMINATION BY THE PLAYER TO BE ELECTED AS AN EMINENT PLAYER

PART - I

*Recent stamp size (2cm
X 2.5cm) photograph in
white/off white
background with full
face view.*

I Nominate Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, s/o, m/o _____
being the R/o _____
for the seat of an Eminent Player in the General Body of the All India Football Federation.

My name is _____ and it is entered at Sl. No. _____ in the Players'
roll/register.

Date:

Place:

Signature

PART - II

I, the candidate mentioned in Part I of this Form assent to my candidature for the election of an Eminent Player and hereby declare that:

1. I am less than 70 (seventy) years of age on the date of submitting this application and I have completed the age of ____ years;
2. My name and my father's/mother's/husband's name have been correctly spelt out above in _____ (name of language);

3. I have retired from football for the past 2 years or more;
4. My last appearance in an official match as defined in AIFF/FIFA Statutes was on _____;
5. I have represented India in requisite number of matches (attach sheet to provide details);
6. I have never been convicted by a court of law;
7. I do not have charges framed against me by any court of law in India (if applicable, provide details);
8. I have never received any sanction in relation to the World Anti-Doping Code; and
9. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for being chosen as an Eminent Player and represent NPA in the All India Football Federation.

Date:

Place:

Signature of the Candidate