

To,
All Affiliated Units
Athletics Federation of India

Subject: 13th Indian Open Race-Walking Competition 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the 13th Indian Open Race-Walking Competition 2026 will be held on 21st–22nd February 2026 at Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh.

The competition will be organised under the aegis of the Athletics Federation of India in association with the Chandigarh Athletics Association as per the details given below:

- **Venue:** Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh
- **Dates:** 21st–22nd February 2026
- **Organizing Secretary:** Mr. Jaspinder Singh Secretary,
Chandigarh Athletics Association
- **Email:** athletics.chandigarh@gmail.com
- **Mobile:** 9888761288

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the Athletics Federation of India and the Competition & Technical Rules 2024 Edition of World Athletics & Indian Athletics Manual (updated as on 01.10.2020).

The SOP issued by the Government of India/MYAS/SAI/AFI and the Government of the Union Territory of Chandigarh shall be followed.

The details of the events are as follows:

1. **Events List:**

i. **Men:**

- 10 km Race Walk
- Full Marathon Walk
- Half Marathon Walk

ii. **Women:**

- 10 km Race Walk
- Full Marathon Walk
- Half Marathon Walk

iii. **Under-20 Boys:**

- 5 km Race Walk

iv. **Under-20 Girls:**

- 5 km Race Walk

2. **Qualifying Standards:**

i. **10 km Race Walk**

- Men – 45:00.00
- Women – 52:00.00

ii. **5 km Race Walk**

- Under-20 Boys – 23:00.00
- Under-20 Girls – 28:00.00

3. **Schedule:**

Day 1 – 21st February 2026

- 07:00 AM – Full Marathon Walk (Men/Women)
- 11:30 AM – 10 km Men Race Walk
- 12:15 PM – 10 km Women Race Walk

Day 2 – 22nd February 2026

- 07:00 AM – Half Marathon Men
- 09:00 AM – Half Marathon Women
- 11:30 AM – 5 km Race Walk (Under-20 Boys)
- 12:15 PM – 5 km Race Walk (Under-20 Girls)

4. **Age Eligibility (Under-20):**

Athletes must be born between 23rd February 2006 and 21st February 2010.

5. **Age Verification:**

Age verification will be conducted on 21st February 2026 from 01:00 PM to 05:00 PM at Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh.

Under 20 Boys & Girls are required to bring original Birth Certificate from Municipality/Corporation or 10th Standard Certificate issued by Central/ State recognized educational board for verification by the Age Verification Committee/Team of Doctors.



Athletes who are drop outs should bring Birth Certificate and 10th class passing certificate. Those athletes who have not gone to school at all should bring original Birth Certificate. Under-20 Athletes who do not bring the requisite proof of age will not be allowed to participate. Birth certificate should be issued within 3 years of birth.

6. **UID Card:**

Kindly note that it is mandatory to produce the UID Card issued by AFI in the Call Room whenever it is demanded by AFI/NADA Officials. However, those athletes who are not in possession of AFI UID Card, will be issued the same during the meet at the competition venue.

7. **Entry Fee:**

INR 1200/- (Non-refundable) for all categories.

8. **Entry Form:**

Online entries will be available on AFI website **www.indianathletics.in** from 20th January 2026.

Last date for submission: 10th February 2026 (midnight).

9. **Doping Control:**

Dope samples will be collected by officials of NADA.

10. **Boarding & Lodging:**

No boarding, lodging, or local transport will be provided by the organizers.

11. **BIB Distribution:**

Bibs will be distributed at the venue on 21st February 2026 from 05:00 AM onwards.

12. **Disclaimer:**

AFI or the Organizing State/UT will not be responsible for any loss, injury, or illness during participation.

You are requested to bring this circular to the notice of all concerned athletes.

Regards

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