

To,

1. All Affiliated Units, AFI
2. Chief Coach, AFI

Subject: Implementation of SRY Gene Testing as per World Athletics Eligibility Regulations

Dear Sir / Ma'am,

In accordance with **World Athletics Rule 3.5**, effective from **September 1, 2025**, World Athletics has mandated a one-time, mandatory SRY gene test for athletes competing in the female category. This test is to be conducted via cheek swab or blood sample for verification of biological sex and to protect fairness in competition.

In alignment with this directive, the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) has decided to implement the SRY gene test for all athletes who intend to compete in the female category at **National level competitions and World Ranking competitions**.

The Athletics Federation of India is planning to conduct the SRY Gene test at the following competitions for which all the expenses will be borne by AFI:

1. 29th National Senior Athletics Federation Competitions, Ranchi, Jharkhand
2. 65th National Inter State Senior Athletics Championships, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
3. 21st National Youth Athletics Championships, Ludhiana, Punjab
4. 65th National Open Athletics Championships, New Delhi

Further details regarding the testing procedure, documentation, consent process, and designated testing centres will be communicated separately.

Regards,



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Officiating Secretary
Athletics Federation of India