OFFICE OF THE RETURNING OFFICER ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WRESTLING FEDERATION OF INDIA

Dated: 02.12.2023

Minutes of the Meeting held on 30.11.2023 regarding holding of election of the Wrestling Federation of India subsequent to order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.11.2023.

In pursuance of the order passed by Hon'ble the Supreme Court on 28.11.2023 the way is paved for holding elections of WFI which were stayed by Punjab and Haryana High Court on 11th August 2023 - just a day before the date fixed for holding election. In that regard, a meeting was held in the chamber of the Returning Officer Justice M.M. Kumar. It was attended by 1. Sh. Bhupender Singh Bajwa, Chairman Ad-hoc Committee, WFI, 2. Sh. Tapas Kumar Bhattacharya, Assistant Returning Officer. The Returning Officer Chaired the meeting.

The issue of initiating further action as per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court for completing the election process was discussed. As per the direction of the Supreme Court the interim orders passed by the Punjab and Harvana High Court staying the election of WFI were set aside leaving it open to the Returning Officer to proceed with the election by publishing a revised election programme. In that regard, Returning Officer asked Mr. Bajwa to inform if there is any change in the Electoral College already notified on 25.07.2023. In other words information was sought whether elections have been held for the post of President and General Secretary of State Wrestling Federations/Olympic Associations or if there is any change due to any Court order in this behalf. He was asked to provide this information at the earliest. He was further asked as to the time required for making all the arrangements for polling. Mr. Bajwa sought one week time. Let complete information be furnished within 5 days i.e. on or before 8th December 2023, so that final notification for holding elections be issued.

[Tapas Kumar Bhattacharya] Assistant Returning Officer, WFI Election, 2023