

SELECTION PLAN FOR ASIAN GAMES 2018

Men:

Selection of the contingent for the individual event (2 athletes) and team event (4 athletes) will be made on the basis of their June 2018 PSA rankings.

Justification - We have 5 very active and high ranked professional male athletes and it would be best to automatically select the contingent from those who have been consistently performing in professional competitions. The players along with their March rankings are:

1. Saurav Ghosal (world rank #14)
2. Harinder Pal Singh Sandhu (world rank #49)
3. Vikram Malhotra (world rank #58)
4. Mahesh Mangaonkar (world rank #62)
5. Ramit Tandon (world rank #65)

Women:

Selection of the contingent for the individual and team event (2 athletes) will be made on the basis of their June 2018 PSA rankings. Selection of the contingent for the team event (remaining 2 athletes) will be made on the basis of a selection trial to be held in Chennai from 5-9 June 2018. Those finishing top 4 at the National Championships 2017, participating in PSA events and others at the discretion of the federation have been invited vide letter dated 29 March 2018 for trials.

Justification - We have 2 very active and high ranked professional athletes who would automatically be selected for the individual and team events. For the remaining 2 athletes, due to similar playing standards at professional and national competitions, it would be best to hold selection trials to select the 3rd and 4th athletes for the team event.

Players selected automatically on the basis of their March rankings:

1. Joshna Chinappa (world rank #16)
2. Dipika Pallikal Karthik (world rank #20)

Players invited for the selection trials:

1. Sunayna Kuruvilla (world rank #92; Nationals quarter finalist)
2. Sachika Ingale (world rank #107; Nationals quarter finalist)
3. Janet Vidhi (world rank #116)
4. Akanksha Salunkhe (world rank #197)
5. Anaka Alankamony (world rank #197)
6. Aparajitha Balamurukan (world rank #223)
7. Tanvi Khanna (world rank #223, Nationals semi finalist)
8. Lakshya R (National runner up)
9. Urwashi Joshi (Nationals semi finalist)
10. Ashita Bhengra (Nationals quarter finalist)
11. Riya Sisodia (Nationals quarter finalist)

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