

Selection Procedure for National Teams

(As per GOI Guidelines - National Sports Development Code of India 2011 from MYAS)

1. Sepaktakraw Federation of India are primarily responsible for judicious selection of National teams for participation in major international events based on merit and with the objective of enhancing national prestige and bringing glory to the country. As such, the best sports person/team must be chosen to represent the country. The selection of core probable is based on players performance during National Championships and on past performance in international championships, if a player can't participate in national championship due to unavoidable reasons like injury, training, family or job issue etc.,
2. The Selection committee will be constituted by the Sepaktakraw Federation of India comprising of the President, the National coach and eminent ex-sportspersons as per guideline issued by MYA&S govt of India.
3. Sepaktakraw Federation of India concerned shall make the following selections:
 - (a) Core Probable for intensive coaching for major competitions like World Cup & World Championships, Asian Games/Championships and other important international events. Final selection of the teams shall be done by the Sepaktakraw Federation of India.
 - (b) International qualified officials including experts/ referees / judges etc. to assist in the preparation of the national teams.
 - (c) Medical personnel and sports scientists to assist in the preparation of the teams on a continuous and systematic basis.
4. The Selection committee, in consultation with the Coach, will choose other members of the Coaching Team.
5. The team of Coaches, sports sciences experts etc. shall not normally be changed or modified once chosen until the Asian Games are over.
6. The National coach will evaluate the progress and performance of the sportspersons in the coaching camps and make recommendations to the Selection Committee regarding the elimination of sportspersons who show unsatisfactory performance. He may also recommend inclusion of new probable. The Selection Committee will decide on the Elimination / inclusion of sportspersons as recommended by the National Coach.
7. Selection Criteria for Senior & Junior - Asian Games / Asian Championship / World Championship / World Cups & other International Championships: -

Option (i) When sanction of Govt available for preparatory camp cum participation and adequate time is available for preparation cum participation For Preparatory cum Selection Camp: -
• Top players in men and women category are selected in Senior National Sepaktakraw Championship as probable for the preparatory camp For Final Selection of Team: -
• Selection is being done by nominated selection committee of STFI•

Option (ii) When sanction of Govt is not available for participation Top probable players in each event in men and women category in Senior National Sepaktakraw Championship are invited to participate in the championship as medals winners of the championship as No Cost to Government In case Top players are not willing to participate then next best available players are given priority respectively.

SELECTION TIMELINES For ASIAN GAMES 2026

1. Selection of 30 core probable's: -

The Selection of 30 Men & 30 Women Core Probable's during 35th Senior National Championship from **23 to 27 October 2025** and open Trials on **27 October 2025 at GOA.**

2. Evaluation of the performance of probable's: -

The probables called to National Coaching Camps by position ranking basis as per requirements of teams and trained under chief coach with other coaching staff at NCC venues. The evaluation report prepared by chief coach and forward to selection committee for discussion and decision.

3. Short list of 18 core probable's: -

The 18 probable's for both teams will be finalized by selection committee in the month of **February 2026** for sending the long list as per IOA timeline for Asian Games Accreditation policy.

4. Final Selection of teams: -

The final selection of teams will be done in the month of **May 2026** as per the timelines of IOA for entry by Names. The final selection will be made by selection committee of STFI during trials inside the core probable's available only.