Shooting League of India (SLI)

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the Shooting League of India (SLI)?

The SLI is India's first franchise-based professional shooting league, sanctioned by the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) and supported by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF). It aims to promote shooting sports through a high-profile, competitive platform.

2. When and where will the SLI take place?

The inaugural season will be held from November 20 to December 2, 2025, at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range in Delhi, India.

3. Is the SLI an ISSF competition?

No, the SLI is not an ISSF competition, but it has official support from the ISSF, with dates reserved in the ISSF calendar.

4. What shooting disciplines are included?

Mixed team events

1. Pistol: 10M Pistol, 25M Pistol

2. Rifle: 10M Rifle, 50M 3P Rifle

3. Shotgun: Trap & Skeet

5. Who is eligible to participate?

Elite national and international shooters (men and women) are eligible to put forward their interest for participation.

6. What are the financial benefits for athletes?

Tournament fee: EUR 5,000–10,000 (based on the auction outcome). All expenses covered by the franchises related to the players (travel, accommodation local transport, logistics and meals.

7. How many matches will each athlete play?

Each athlete will participate in 3–4 match days during the 11-day league, depending on their team's progression.

8. How can athletes participate in the SLI?

Athletes must complete the following steps:

Step 1: Submit the registration form and sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Contact shootingleagueofindia@gmail.com for further information

Step 2: Shortlisted players will be notified based on franchise interest.

Step 3: Selected athletes will participate in the SLI auction, where franchises will bid for them.

Step 4: Final team selection will be confirmed post-auction and individual athletes will sign the long form agreement with their respective franchise.

9. How are teams formed?

- 6–8 city-based franchises will own each of the teams, they will bid for players via an auction.
- Each team will consist of 12 athletes (6 men, 6 women), including up to 4 foreign players (2 men, 2 women).

10. Who are the franchise owners?

The franchise owners will include prominent business leaders, sports entities, and celebrities. Names will be officially announced in due course.

11. What is the salary cap for each of the franchise fees?

Each franchise will have a salary cap of Rs 1.2 Crore to ensure fair competition.

12. When will the players auction take place?

The player auction is scheduled for August 2025. Exact dates will be in due course.

13. How will I know if I am shortlisted for the auction?

Shortlisted athletes will receive an official notification via email from the SLI in July 2025.

14. Will the auction be telecast?

Yes, the SLI auction will be broadcast live for public viewing.

15. Who covers the athletes' expenses?

All participation costs (flights, hotels, meals, local transport) are fully covered by the franchise owners.

16. What if my team doesn't reach the finals?

Athletes whose teams are eliminated early will have fewer matches but will still receive their full tournament fee.

17. Will players need to pay tax in India?

Yes, tournament fees and other earnings will be subject to Indian tax laws as per applicable regulations. Further details will be shared with individual athletes in due course.

18. How will the SLI be broadcasted?

Through Live streaming, TV coverage, and digital platforms.

19. Will international athletes gain visibility?

Yes, the SLI offers global exposure through media partnerships and high-profile sponsors.

20. Can I bring my sponsors and endorsements?

Yes, athletes may retain their personal sponsorships, however SLI and franchise branding regulations will apply during the league period. Specific guidelines will be shared with players in due course.

21. Where can I register interest or ask more questions? Email shootingleagueofindia@gmail.com