



**Criteria for The Selection of Shotgun
Shooting Teams (Seniors & Juniors) to
represent India in all Disciplines of Olympic
Shooting Sport at international
competitions 2021-22**

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Statement

The NRAI firmly believes in Shooters earning their place in the national team. The intention is to ensure through this Criteria of the NRAI, a level, just, & fair playing field for those sportspersons who wish to enter the fray in team or individual events for all shooting disciplines. It is also to be ensured that the NRAI continuously upgrades the wealth of talent available to it for the selection of those deemed fit for & selected by the NRAI to represent it under national colors.

The current Selection Criteria is for a period till beginning of 65th NSCC, as approved by the Governing Body of NRAI.

A. Scope of the Criteria

1. The scope of this Criteria is extended till beginning of 65th NSCC and would continue with Moving Average Method (MAM) basis for senior and junior shotgun shooters.
2. The Selection Criteria in all sections will commence from the first day of 64 NSCC and no previous score or any other performance shall be considered. All shooters shall start from Zero – with a clean slate.
3. These rules shall be applicable to all seniors/juniors' shooters unless specified for juniors.
4. The principal of "Best Foot Forward" shall be applied to select the best team to represent the Country.
5. It shall be binding on all sportspersons who seek to represent for the National team in these events.
6. In keeping with the principal of selecting the best from the best, junior men & junior women, shall also be deemed to be included for eligibility to team selection under this Criteria.
7. It shall be effective for the benefit of shooters, who at the time of their selection, shall be determined to be eligible for representing the country in the international arena as per the prevailing Criteria of the Government of India (GOI).

B. Basis of Criteria

1. The basis of ranking/ selecting teams for participation in all international competitions will be MAM. There shall be no review of this criterion at any forum.
2. Two sets of trials (total of four trials) will be conducted for selection of NSQ and teams for international competitions. These trials will be conducted in the month of January 2022 and April/May 2022. The NRAI may conduct more trials, if required.

3. All scores shot during the Recognized Competitions (RC) including selection trials and International Recognized Competitions (IRC) shall be considered for calculating the average for ranking purpose. There shall not be a provision for dropping the lowest score under any circumstances.
4. The teams for juniors shall also be selected following the MAM as per rule A.1 supra. The Selection Trials for juniors shall be conducted concurrently with seniors' selection trials.
5. There will not be a separate log sheet for juniors and junior shooters shall be selected for international competitions by lifting rankings of juniors from main log sheet and subject to their eligibility to participate in junior competition (age criteria of ISSF to be followed).
6. In case of exclusive selection trials for juniors, the performance shall have no bearing on selection of senior NSQ/international teams and shall be valid only for calculation of MAM for juniors.
7. The ranking points shall be ascertained based on performance, achievement & the current sporting efficiency of the sportsmen under consideration as detailed further in the criterion.
8. On completion of first set of trials in January 2022, the average of three scores will be the Stage 1 average for selection of teams for ISSF World Cups (WCs) shall be done as per clause E (9) below.
9. The Stage 2 begins with second set of trials in April/May 2022.
10. To arrive at the score of Stage 2, the average* scores of all RCs and IRCs shall be added to the average of Stage 1 and the sum will be divided by 2 to arrive at the average score of Stage 2. (*The average will be the total of all the competitions score divided by the number of the competitions). In case of only one score, the same shall be added to the average of Stage 1. The total sum then will be divided by two to arrive the average of Stage 2.
11. The selection of the venue for the National Shooting Championship and team selection trials is the sole prerogative of the NRAI. Such venue once identified by NRAI shall be chosen & it shall then be binding on all shooter regardless of their personal profile, to present themselves to the test of selection trials per the provisions of this Criteria.
12. It is desired that as many different venues in the country be utilized as may be possible & deemed fit by the NRAI.
13. The NRAI is always committed to ensuring that standard ISSF rules are followed.
14. In case a shooter has fired a single shot as a competitor in any RC or IRC & he/she for reasons best known to himself, then subsequently withdraws from the said competition & does not complete the competition, his or her score shall be deemed for purposes of selection under this Criteria to be the exact arithmetical total that exists at the point of his or her withdrawal.

15. Shooters achieving the following scores during 63/64th NSCC as stated below will be allowed to participate in Selection Trials:

EVENT	SENIOR	JUNIOR
Trap Men	110	100
Skeet Men	110	100
Trap Women	95	90
Skeet Women	95	90

For the purpose of calculating the average for team selection, only scores achieved during 64 NSCC, Trial 1 & 2 of Stage 1 will only be considered as per Selection Criteria. Score of 63 NSCC will not be considered for calculating the average.

16. Transit Shooter is that shooter whose category would change in the middle of one shooting calendar year. In the case of a transit shooter who is a part of the Junior National Squad [NSQ] – such shooter will continue as a member of the NSQ of the same category. until the advent of the next National Championship (65 NSCC).

17. For the purpose of this Criteria those shooters who do not complete the age of 21 (Jnr) until 31st March 2022 will be considered for inclusion in the Junior NSQ. Those shooters who will complete 21 years prior to 31.03.2022 will be considered for inclusion in the NSQ in the higher category provided s / he has the required ranking in the higher category.

C. Selection & Eligibility Criterion

1. Recognized Compétitions (RC)/International Compétitions (IRC)

- a. For the purpose of rendering scores for MAM, scores of Recognized Competitions (RC) and international Recognized Competitions (IRC) will be considered. The RCs shall include all domestic competitions and selection trials conducted by NRAI. All international competitions, for which teams selected by NRAI, approved and financed by SAI, would be IRCs.

Recognized Competitions (RC)

64th NSCC 2021

Selection Trials

Sardar Sajjan Singh Memorial Master Shooting Competition

Digvijay Singh Memorial Shooting Competition (Shotgun)

Recognized International Competitions (IRC)

All World Cups including W.C. Finals organized by ISSF

Asian Games

ISSF World Championship

Asian Shotgun Championship

Jr ISSF World Cup 2022

All other international competitions (Seniors/Juniors) as sanctioned and financed by Sports Authority of India

- b. It is desired that all athletes participate in the selection trials (RC) as per schedule, which would be notified on the website of NRAI from time to time.
 - c. A shooter, who does not shoot a competition after having sent his/her **entry for a RC**, it will be assumed that she/he has shot the competition and she/he will not be allowed to bypass that competition. Hence his/her nonparticipation will be treated as **withdrawal** and the shooter would be considered as having shot the competition. 0 (Zero) would be one of the scores for the calculation of the averages. A shooter who is not desirous of participating in the selection trials or any other RC is advised not to send his/her entry to the NRAI for that competition or she/he may withdraw his/her entry [by email only] 48 hours prior to the commencement of his/her event (PET).
 - d. Disciplinary Action would be initiated against a shooter who withdraws/does not shoot in an international competition after she/he arrives at the competition site. In such a case, rule C.1.(c) above would be applied for the purpose of calculation of MAM. The shooter would be considered as having shot the competition and 0/the score at the time of withdrawal, would be a part of the calculation of the averages. This rule would be relaxed only if there is convincing evidence of the shooters inability to participate.
 - e. Scores of international competitions, where a shooter has participated at his/her own cost and is not a recognized IRC, shall not be considered for average purpose.
2. **Zero Shooter [ZS]** - A shooter who desires to shoot in a recognized competition for examining/experimenting/testing of new/changed technique/equipment - under competition conditions, may shoot as a ZERO SHOOTER in Qualification Round only and such score shot for experimental purpose would not be considered in the calculation of MAM. Provided that the shooter requests in writing, prior to the competition - sends entry form with fee within the submission deadline as mentioned on the website - stating in the entry form that she/he wishes to shoot as a Zero Shooter along with an application justifying such request. The shooter will not be eligible to shoot the Final also. This will not be applicable, when a shooter participates in an international competition at Govt. Cost.

D. National Squad (NSQ) 2022

1. Two selection trials will be conducted in January 2022. Average of scores achieved during 64 NSCC and first two selection trials shall be the basis of selection of NSQ. In absence of three scores, the shooter will not be eligible for selection of NSQ.
2. At the end of Selection Trial 2, only 09 (nine) shooters, subject to them having achieved ISSF MQS in their respective events, as per their ranking, will be retained in the NSQ for the year 2022. In the case of juniors, the 12 shooters, based on their ranking after Trial 2, as per average D (1) above, in each event will be part of the NSQ.

3. NSQ camps will be conducted round the year withstanding the compulsion of having them during breaks in international competition schedule. The Coaching Camps shall be of a length of 7 to 10 days each held within every 90 days.
4. The Mandatory Medical checkup for all NSQ athletes under the supervision of SAI doctors will be carried out at the beginning of first NSQ Coaching camp/Trial. All athletes must present themselves for medical checkup as and when required. Absence from medical checkup will lead to expulsion from the NSQ/Selection of teams.

E. The Moving Average Method –(MAM Stage wise)

1. The Moving Average Method (MAM) shall be applicable for the purpose of ranking of shooters, selection of NSQ shooters and all international teams.
2. No scores will be bypassed/omitted or evaded unless there is a specific provision within this Criteria.
3. When a shooter shoots a score in a Recognized Competition (RC) – the NRAI, responsible for maintaining records, will add that score against the Shooter's name in the Main Log, irrespective of the category.
4. Rankings (Stage 1 or Stage 2) of all SENIOR AND JUNIOR shooters would be maintained, as if they are competing in the same category. ONE MAIN LOG WOULD BE MAINTAINED FOR ONE EVENT.
5. For the junior shooters, the scores would then be lifted, from the above Main Log and brought into A JUNIOR LOG.
6. FINALS in restricted competitions: Junior Shooters or any other category of shooters who shoot 'Finals' in restricted competitions [where the competition is not an open men or women's competition] will get benefit of ranking points under Junior Category and the points will be added ONLY to the Log maintained for Junior category. For example, a shooter who shoots in the qualification round of a Junior RC and wins the Finals in that competition, the same will be recorded as Qualification Score 116 in the Main Log and $116 + 2 = 118$ in the Junior Log.
7. For Selection Trials - there would be no categories of senior or junior - all shooters would shoot in a common category that is open category, as stated at point B (3) above.
8. Ranking Points, as stated below shall be added to Qualification score to arrive Stage average.

9. The selection of NSQ and international teams, subject to achieving MQS/MTS, shall be done as under:

Stage 1

(i) Based on the rankings arrived after Average of Scores of 64 NSCC and two selection trials (average of three scores)

(ii) In absence of three scores, the shooter will not be eligible for selection for NSQ or any international competition under Stage 1.

(iii) The teams shall be selected for following World Cups as under:

ISSF World Cup, Nicosia, CYP – Shooters ranked 1-2-3 in each event

ISSF World Cup, Lima, Peru – Shooters ranked 4-5-6 in each event

ISSF World Cup, Lonato, ITA – The scores achieved by the shooters during Nicosia and Lima World Cups shall be added to Stage I average and shall be divided by two and the rankings will be revised. First three shooters, after revised ranking, shall be selected for ISSF World Cup, Lonato, ITA. Medalist of World Cups of Nicosia and Lima will automatically be selected for Lonato World Cup.

On conclusion of the ISSF World Cup Lonato, the scores of this WC shall be added to the average arrived after Lima WC to calculate the final average of Stage 1.

Stage 2

The second set of selection trials (Stage 2) shall be conducted during the month of April/May 2022 for the selection of teams for following competitions and or any other competition, which NRAI may decide for participation of Indian team:

ISSF WORLD CUP, BAKU, AZE
ISSF WORLD CUP, CHANGWON, KOR
ASIAN GAMES 2022
ISSF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP IN SHOTGUN

The average of two selection trial scores and scores of any other RC, shall be added to the average of Stage 1 to calculate the average for Stage 2. Based on the rankings so arrived, the selection of teams for competitions shall be done as elaborated in clause B10 above. In case of only one score, the same shall be added to the average of Stage 1. The total sum then will be divided by two to arrive the average of Stage 2.

F. Selection Criteria for Mixed Trap/Skeet Teams

1. For selection of the Trap/Skeet Mixed team to represent the country at various International Competitions, the top ranked Male shooter and the top ranked Female shooter, at the end of designated trial, shall form the Mixed Trap/Skeet teams. In case more than one mixed team can be fielded in a competition the number two ranked Male and Female shooter will form the 2nd team and so on.
2. In case there are Mixed Teams in any other event, the above principal for team selection shall apply.

G. Ranking Points

1. The ranking points (finals points) shall be added to the Qualification score and shall not be added to the average score.
2. The following will be the points, which can be added to Qualification Score:

<u>Position</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
WCh / WCF / AGs /Listed Mandatory Quota Comp. other than the listed comp of ISSF	2.00	1.75	1.25	1.00
WC / NSCC / CWS /ASC/ Listed Mandatory Quota Comp. other than list comp. of ASC	1.00	0.75	0.5.	0.25
Masters/DSM/ ST	0.75	0.50	0.25	0.10

3. There will not be any ISSF World Ranking points.

H. Other eligibility criterion.

1. It is further clarified that strict compliance to WADA, IOA, ISSF, & NRAI rules shall be maintained. Should a shooter be in violation of the rules he shall not be considered for the selection of teams & shall deemed to have been suspended pending ruling by the established norm of appeal in the above forum.
2. A shooter will be considered for the purpose of ranking only when he/she has a minimum of three scores in Stage 1 (Stage 1 commences with 64 NSCC) and a minimum of one score in subsequent Stages. All scores of trials/domestic and international competitions, where a shooter participates, shall be considered and no score will be disregarded/deleted unless permitted by the Selection Committee. Anyone who voluntarily or un-voluntarily does not compete in a selection trial or a competition and is short of scores as required under Stage shall not be eligible for selection of team.

3. It may also be clarified that in the event of a tie for team or individual positioning between two shooters, the principle of count back based upon the ISSF rule pertaining to the count back system of assessment shall be employed to the last score submitted for consideration.
4. In the event of illness or injury to a selected athlete as determined by the competition jury &/or the selection committee of the NRAI, the next eligible athlete from the selection process shall be added to the team, purely on arithmetical merit alone.
5. A shooter is required to shoot a minimum of one score in each Stage, which should be equal or above the MTS mentioned below. In absence of MTS, shooter will not be considered for selection for any World Cup.
6. MTS would not be a criterial for selection for Continental Games, World Championships, ISSF World Cup Finals, ISSF President Cup, Asian Shooting Championships or any other Quota competition identified by ISSF or ASC.
7. MTS to be achieved by the shooter is listed below:

Trap Men 117/125
Trap Women 115/125
Skeet Men 118/125
Skeet Women 116/125
8. It is mandatory for all selected athletes to attend National coaching/training camps. The absence from the coaching camps shall be with prior approval from NRAI/SAI/MOYS.

I. Discipline

1. It is mandatory for all athletes, travelling with the team for International Competitions, to adhere to all norms of discipline as laid down by the NRAI. At all times the athletes will behave in a manner that is befitting ambassadors of the sport and country. Coaches travelling with the team will be responsible to ensure strict adherence of discipline and ethics and shall submit a joint report to the NRAI upon completion of every tour regarding the ethical, professional and disciplinary behavior of an athlete. Based on this report, the NRAI has a right to suspend an athlete from the immediate next international competition/competitions depending upon the severity of breach of code of conduct.
2. Only personal coaches (as defined below) would be permitted to join the selected shooters at the coaching camps, ~~are~~ parents and other relatives would not be allowed to enter the shooting arena during coaching camps/domestic/international training/competitions.

Special Advisory for Parents: Parents are advised to leave the shooters in the care of the Team officials and coaches assigned by NRAI during coaching camps/participation in international competitions. They will not be permitted to enter the Field of Play (FOP) during the training and may be present in the spectator gallery during the coaching camps/competitions. Parents are not permitted to travel with the teams or share room with their wards. They will also not be permitted to be in the vicinity of their ward during travel/competition arenas/FOP. The Parents/personal coaches will not deal directly with the organizers or any person involved in conduct of international competitions/coaching camps/selection trials. Parents will not interfere in the functioning of the coaches/team officials and will not misbehave with them.

In the case of any parent/personal coach not adhering to norms framed by the NRAI or misbehaving with the officials/coaches, the NRAI would be within its right not to consider such a shooter for the next two competitions/selection trials/coaching camps. PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ARE BEING INFORMED THROUGH THIS PUBLIC DOCUMENT THAT YOUR WARD WILL BEAR THE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS and the NRAI would be fully within its rights to take the harshest steps.

3. Shooters participating in international competitions at own cost would also be obliged to strictly follow the instructions of the coaches / managers/officials failing which disciplinary action would be initiated against them.
4. The shooters eligible for financial assistance TOPS must submit their proposal through NRAI for scrutiny. Such proposals, which are submitted to Govt. agencies by the shooters directly, shall not be supported by NRAI.

J. Teams & their constitution

1. The selection of teams and their constitution will be done as per Clause C & E above.
2. If any athlete, for any reason whatsoever, is unable to travel as a team member for a competition, must inform NRAI in writing at least 60 days prior to team selection so that he/she can be replaced. Any athlete failing to inform NRAI of his/ her inability to travel as a team member prior to selection committee meeting will have to bear all costs (such as entry cancellation fee, hotel booking cancellation, ticket cancellation etc.).
3. The Selection of Teams, for international competitions including Double Trap event, not covered under Selection Criteria, shall be decided by the Selection Committee of NRAI.

K. MQS Slots

1. Participation in MQS category will be at own cost and scores will not be considered for the purpose of average.

2. The NRAI Selection Committee reserves the right to nominate any person (senior or junior) to shoot as MQS. The decision of the NRAI selection committee shall be final and binding.

L. Coaches and Support Staff

1. Upon the publication of this Criteria, the role of foreign and Indian coaches shall be restricted to that of providing technical training to shooters. The view of all coaches has been sought & considered by NRAI during the review process of the proceeding years' Criteria, prior to the publication of this Criteria.
2. That since the NRAI follows a Criteria of shooters earning their slots in teams or individual positions & this entire document is based on the principal of merit as the sole selection criterion; the role of national/foreign coaches shall only be advisory for the purposes of team selection.
3. The permission to train with personal coaches shall be permitted with the prior permission of the Chief Coach/Foreign Coach during the coaching camps. Shooters may follow the coaching plans prepared by the personal coaches, which are prepared in consultation with the Chief Coach/Foreign Coach. No personal coach is permitted to travel abroad with the shooter unless permitted by the President NRAI.

a Norms for Personal Coaches:

Coaches, who have attended ISSF Coaches Course are eligible to be nominated as personal coaches if they have been renowned shooters in the senior category.

Shooters, who had been renowned shots (not active shooter at present), with a coaching experience of minimum 10 years can be considered as personal coach.

b. Eligibility for shooters to utilize services of personal coaches:

Shooters, who have participated in international competitions as a member of the Indian team [at Govt. cost], in the last two years - will only be permitted to utilize the services of a personal coach/support staff during coaching camps/competitions in India and abroad.

c. Eligibility for nomination as a Personal Coaches

i. For Senior Shooters

Any Shooter who has won a medal in Olympic Games/Asian Games/Commonwealth Games /Commonwealth Championship/Asian Championships would be eligible to be granted recognition by the NRAI as the 'Personal Coach' of a selected shooter.

ii. For Junior Shooters

A Shooter who has participated in any two World Cups "At Govt. Cost" or a medalist of NSCC will be eligible to be a personal coach.

Shooters who participated at "own cost" in the World Cups will not qualify in the above criteria.

4. The above coaches will work in a congenial manner with the Indian / Foreign NSQ coaches and must adopt the program of these coaches. Personal Coaches must periodically provide a written progress report to the Foreign Coach / NRAI.
5. In case of violation of the above, strict disciplinary action will be initiated against the shooter and coach as decided by Disciplinary & Ethics Committee of NRAI.

Support Staff

Any professional, with an experience of a minimum of five years in sport can perform duties with shooters who are eligible to utilize services of personal coaches/support staff.

M. Travel of teams to compete abroad

Due to the global response on security fears that are in force throughout the sporting community of nations and given that shooters per force are required to carry arms & ammunition with them & in light of recent experiences that have occurred, it has been decided that:

1. All travel arrangements of sportsmen who are to compete overseas shall be made through the NRAI office.
2. The National team should travel as a team and not as a group of individuals coming together as a matter of mere coincidence & shall always travel as a single body with the team manager.
3. This is necessary as it shall permit the constant monitoring of the Nationally Accredited Athletes for reasons of security as a body.
4. The designated support staff shall regularly update the office of the NRAI on all relevant issues related to the team's security, transit, performance or disciplinary status of the team.
5. Further it is only on the Federation's recommendation that foreign nations provide suitable gun permits & other documentation to our sportsmen, so that they transit to their destination in a hassle-free manner & as such it shall remain the responsibility of the NRAI to oversee the timely procurement of such permits/documentation is procured & handed over to the shooter/team manager prior to their departure from India for overseas.

6. While overseas, existing norms of team management shall continue with the following exceptions:
 - (i) That unless the member of the team is competing, he or she shall at all times when they are on the way to & from the sports venue, or at the sports venue itself, wear at least the top portion of the apparel that shall be suitably provided by the federation to each competitor at its cost.
 - (ii) Suitably, all coaches foreign or national, & all supporting or accompanying staff are also considered an integral part of the team & shall hence also be subject to such provision.
 - (iii) Only during official practice or the competitive process itself, shall the athletes retain the privilege of choosing their own apparel in conformity with ISSF standard elucidated on their web site.
 - (iv) It shall be the duty of the team manager to report any such transgressions if committed by any member of the team in writing to the NRAI within 15 days of such a transgression if any.
 - (v) Should this be reported, it shall lead to an immediate & automatic reduction of 1 point from that particular sportsman's carried forward score.
 - (vi) There shall be no exception or appeal to (i), (iii) and (v) above

N. Redressal of Grievances and Appeals Process

1. Since this Criteria covers merely the selection criterion, the forum of Redressal shall be the NRAI designated jury of appeal so appointed for that particular competition.
2. This Jury shall deal with all matters pertaining to the issue of selection trials, selection criterion, grievances thereof, if any, or any unforeseen circumstances that may arise therein.
3. When a competitor reasonably considers in all the circumstances that his/her non selection or nomination to a team has occurred because the jury of appeal has failed to follow the criterion detailed in this Criteria in dealing with his/her issues raised in writing; the shooter may then appeal the governing body of the NRAI in writing to seek Redressal.
4. The Governing Body of NRAI shall in such a case appoint an Athletes Appeal committee of three members, where in addition to the three members so appointed, the GOI's observer shall also be a member and asked to sit in on all such proceedings.
5. The findings so arrived in such a case shall be final & binding. There shall be no further review or appeal against such a decision once arrived at.
6. It has been decided that the practice of shooters petitioning through combined or individual petitions in the form of letters either to offset a recorded performance once complete as per this Criteria; or complaining against coaches foreign/national shall no longer be tolerated under any circumstances. Should such an issue arise, the selection committee shall deduct one merit point from all such petitioning/individual shooter.

7. There shall be no review of any punitive deductions recommended under this Criteria at any venue or forum, the disciplinary committee of the NRAI shall mandatorily make such adjustment.

O. Scope of Criteria Review

1. This Criteria may be reviewed, if required, on an annual basis upon the completion of the National Shooting Championship of the next year, by a Criteria review committee to be appointed by the office of the Secretary General of the NRAI.
2. The committee shall at this stage deliberate any further refinements to or strengthening of this Criteria that may be required taking into account the experiences of the designated foreign coach, national coaches, team managers, & the governing body of the NRAI.
3. The tenure of the Criteria review committee shall be limited to a period of 30 days and shall be constituted by the NRAI at its pleasure.
4. It shall however be mandatory for the said committee to present its findings if any within a period of 30 days from the completion of the national shooting championships in the form of an amended national Criteria, if so required.
5. This, like now, shall be notified to the public vide the web site of the NRAI through its office.
6. Should this process not have been complied with, then till it is done, this Criteria in its entirety shall be deemed to remain in force.
7. Regardless to anything contained herein the decision of the NRAI selection committee for team selection shall be final and binding.
8. The NRAI reserves the right to make changes to the Calendar if so, necessitated by changes to the international Calendar by ISSF, ASC, OCA, CSF, IOC or any other reason so necessitating such a change as deemed by NRAI. The Shooting Calendar for the year 2021-22 shall be put up on the website of NRAI in due course of time.

P. Conclusion

1. An effort has been made to make the Criteria exhaustive – however it is possible that in the course of the application of the Criteria anomalies arise. In such a case/s the interpretation of the NRAI of such anomalies would be final and binding on all.
2. The Selection Committee/or any other committee so empowered by the Governing Body of the NRAI would base their selection of individuals /teams for participation in International Competitions, largely on the basis of the rankings derived by the Moving Average Method - as stated in this Criteria.
3. However, in extraordinary circumstances, with justification, in writing, the committee would have the authority to deviate from the results of the MAM and under all circumstances the decision of the Selection Committee /NRAI would be final and binding on all concerned parties.