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To  
All Affiliated Units of BAI

## **Sub : Important Guidelines on approved Tournaments**

Dear All,

You all are aware about our Constitutional provision for conducting tournaments. For your ready reference Excerpts from Clause No. 21 are given below:

### **QUOTE**

"A Registered Player/Coach/Technical Staff/Support Staff shall not participate in any Tournament which is not approved by BAI or its affiliated Units. Approved tournaments will mean tournaments approved by BAI routed through affiliated Units and tournaments approved by affiliated Units routed through its Districts.

BAI shall have jurisdiction over a Player/Coach/Technical Staff/Support Staff within jurisdiction of an Unit of BAI. A Player/Coach/Technical Staff/Support Staff under aegis of an Unit of BAI shall be deemed ipso facto to submit to the jurisdiction of BAI.

A Player will not indulge in any Age Fraud or falsification of any documents. Any breach shall automatically call for suspension by the respective Committee".....**UNQUOTE**

As per standard Rules & Regulations the identification of Affiliated Units is as under:

BAI --Affiliated State Units -Affiliated Districts - Clubs under Affiliated Districts Units  
Affiliated Clubs / Districts will take permission from the Affiliated State Units for conducting State Ranking Tournament / State Championship / District Tournaments. When the District will conduct Tournaments they will take permission from the Affiliated State Unit and when any affiliated club wants to conduct any tournament they will take permission from the Affiliated State Unit through Districts concerned.

Whenever any Affiliated State Unit wants to conduct any National Ranking / National Championships, they will take permission from BAI.

If any Affiliated State Units conducts any League involving registered players of their State only, there is no need of taking permission from BAI. However, if any Affiliated Unit wants to conduct any league involving players from other States, permission from BAI is mandatory and BAI will have sole discretion to approve it or not.



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Apart from above, if any School Authorities/University Authorities/Govt authorities/ Offices who are Associated Affiliated Units of BAI seek assistance/support from any Affiliated State Unit, same is to be provided but strictly as per standard rules and regulations.

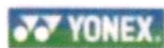
We are receiving many requests from various Clubs / Private Academies to allow them to conduct Tournaments / Leagues and even in few instances few Organisations are declaring Tournaments and circulating the same through Advertisement / Face Book Publication and directly sending messages to players, These are not acceptable and permissible as per Constitutional provision of BAI and we have already circulated few circulars as well as issued a Press Release dated 22 December 2020 (copy enclosed for your ready reference).

You are requested to inform all concerned in your State and strictly follow the above guidelines. Registered Players / Coaches / Support Staff / Technical Staff will not be allowed to participate in any unauthorised Tournaments / Leagues and if they do so they will face debarment of participation of any tournament of States / BAI and also deactivation of BAI ID.

Thanking you,

Ajay Kumar Singhania  
Hony. General Secretary

**Encl:** As above



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# BAI warning for players, coaches

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Panaji:** The Badminton Association of India (BAI) has warned its registered players and coaches that they will be banned, if they participate in unauthorised tournaments.

BAI made the statement after being informed that the Youth & Sports Development Association of India is conducting a tournament — 3rd National Federation Cup — next month in Margao.

## UNAUTHORISED TOURNAMENTS

BAI, through a press release, said the tournament is not organised by it or by its affiliated unit — Goa Badminton Association

According to the release, the tournament organisers have claimed that the event will be a selection trial and opportunity for the upcoming international championships.

“We came to know about the tournament, which is happening in Goa. The claims by

the organiser are false as only the national sports federation can choose and send players for tournaments abroad,” said BAI general secretary Ajay Singhanla.

BAI further said strict action will be taken against the registered players, coaches or technical staff if they participate in the tournament.

“BAI and its affiliated units are not interested in what unauthorised agency or organisation is doing but we are concerned about our registered players. We strictly advise that registered players of affiliated units should not get divulged and participate in any such unauthorised tournaments which will cause deactivation of their BAI ID and debarment in any tournaments being organised by affiliated units and BAI,” Singhanla said.

As per BAI constitution, registered players, technical officials or coaches face the debarment and ban if they take part in any such tournament in the country.