

Foreign participation rule may be tweaked

Proposed formula for domestic competition to be widely discussed: Kushal Das



New horizon beckons: I-League champion Mohun Bagan has earned a slot in the AFC Cup for three years. ■ FILE PHOTO

FOOTBALL

NANDAKUMAR MARAR
MUMBAI

Professional Indian football clubs entering Asian Football Confederation (AFC) tournaments next year is a privilege that comes with the need to bring about changes in step with rules and regulations in force at regional competitions.

3+1 formula

AFC follows the 3+1 formula when it comes to number of foreign players — four in the playing squad, one of whom should be from an AFC affiliate association.

This is different from AIFF's 'five foreigners' rule.

Reducing one foreign player each will automatically bring more Indians in to play — four foreign + seven Indian in place of the current five + six ratio.

The impact of foreign players on Indian football

became a topic of discussion after National chief coach Igor Stimac raised the issue of the absence of quality strikers to step into Sunil Chhetri's boots, when the latter retires.

AIFF general secretary Kushal Das replies to questions on the foreigners issue in an exclusive email interaction. *Excerpts:* On three Indian clubs (FC Goa, ATK-Mohun Bagan, Chennaiyin FC) competing in Asian club football from 2021 It is a wonderful chance for Indian clubs to make a mark and improve India's Asian ranking.

I hope the clubs take advantage and prepare diligently. India is currently ranked 20th in Asia, down from 10th in 2019 because of the indifferent performance of Indian clubs in AFC competitions.

It is important that clubs prioritise performances in Asian events.

On AFC's 3+1 stipulation

The super trio

■ ISL Season-six league topper FC Goa gets direct slot into AFC Champions League 2021 group stage

■ I-League champion ATK-Mohun Bagan in AFC Cup as special dispensation for three years

■ ISL Season-six finalist Chennaiyin FC makes AFC Cup play-offs

We are in discussions to find the right mix for home tournaments.

It would be ideal to follow the AFC rule, but certain considerations like quality of play, fan engagement, attendances and TV viewership need to be kept in mind.

We (AIFF) will discuss the issue with all stakeholders and come up with an appropriate rule before the beginning of the next season.

(Reliance and Star India

are co-promoters of the league, supported by the national federation).

Shouldn't the AIFF take the lead and nudge the ISL organising body into introducing the 3+1 rule?

The ISL's six seasons have been very beneficial for Indian football.

We need to have detailed discussions to find the right structure. We plan to do it before the next season and whatever is decided will be applicable to all top level club football in India.

How will reducing the number of foreigners in the playing XI affect the quality of club recruits?

I think that should be quite obvious. Having fewer, but better, foreign players will not only raise the standard of play but also help Indians develop, get more opportunities and game time.

These are all part of discussions we plan to have with the stakeholders.

Govt. hikes cash awards for medallists

Coaches' rewards also increased; AISCD welcomes move

DEAFLYMPICS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

The Union Sports Ministry has recognised the Deaflympics and the World Championships in this category, on par with elite sports, in its scheme of cash awards, as per an amendment executed last week.

It has been a long-standing demand of the All India Sports Council of the Deaf to treat the achievement of its athletes on par with sportspersons who compete in the Olympics and Paralympics.

As per the circular dated March 11, the gold, silver and bronze medals in the Deaflympics will be awarded ₹75 lakh, ₹50 lakh and ₹25 lakh respectively.

Moreover, World Championship medals, for events held in the four-year cycle, will fetch ₹40 lakh, ₹25 lakh

and ₹15 lakh respectively for deaf athletes.

Achievements

Over the years, there have been remarkable achievements in the Deaflympics by Indian athletes.

In the last Deaflympics held in Samsun, Turkey, Virender Singh won the men's 74 kg wrestling gold. Diksha Dagar won the golf silver, while wrestlers Ajay Kumar and Sumit Dahiya had won the bronze medals.

In tennis mixed doubles, Prithvi Sekhar and Jafreen Shaik had won the bronze. Prithvi, who was part of the gold-winning team in the World Railways tennis championship, had won the individual gold and doubles bronze with Prashanth Dasharath Harsambhavi, in the World Deaf Tennis Championship in Antalya last October.

"I am very happy with the government's announce-

ment. I am applying for the cash award for my medals," said Prithvi, who trains in Chennai with coach Suresh-kumar Sonachalam.

Prithvi also noted that the Asian championships had not yet been listed for the cash awards for deaf athletes.

Incidentally, wrestler Virender Singh had won two golds and a bronze in the earlier editions of the Deaflympics from 2005.

He had also won gold, silver and bronze medals in the World championships.

The AISCD had also sought in the past, the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award for athlete P.K. Jaison of Tamil Nadu who had won a gold and two silvers in long jump and triple jump in the Deaflympics in Bulgaria in 1993 and in Denmark in 1997.

Coaches at the grassroots, developmental and elite levels would also be given cash

awards, at the rate of 30% to 40%.

The cash award for the coaches would be 50% of the cash award for the athlete, for individual medals.

However, the government order categorically states that spouse, father, mother, brother and sister of sportspersons would not be eligible for cash awards, as coach.

Avoiding delay

To avoid delay, the Sports Authority of India will accept applications directly from the medal-winning sportspersons in the prescribed format, along with attested copies of certificates wherever available apart from bank account details for money transfer.

For coaches, applications will be forwarded by National Sports Federations to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

We need to wait and watch: Jinson Johnson

Middle-distance runner's Olympic qualification still up in the air

V.S. ARAVIND
CHENNAI

For many athletes who are yet to qualify for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, there's anxiety and confusion.

India's premier middle-distance runner Jinson Johnson also expressed his helplessness in this time of a global pandemic.

"I am really worried about my qualification but we really cannot do anything in this hour. We need to wait and watch," Jinson told *Sportstar* from Bengaluru on Thursday.

Having suffered an injury to his Achilles heel tendon last year, the Asian Games gold medallist travelled to Colorado Springs in the USA

and trained under Scott Simmons.

He later returned to India and began rehab at HN Reliance Foundation hospital in Mumbai. Jinson is currently training at the Sports Authority of India (SAI) complex in Bengaluru.

"My training hasn't been affected much and despite the outbreak and growing concerns, I am still adhering to my routine. It's difficult as there is no clarity when the qualification will happen but at the same time, I cannot afford to relax," he said.

"I am not targeting my Olympic qualification in the Fed Cup as I am yet to reach my peak. Due to injury, my training got delayed and I am not rushing things. I am



Jinson Johnson. ■ FILE PHOTO

hopeful of participating in invitational tournaments and qualify from there. Middle-distance running is all about timing and I have done well abroad.

If all the meets are cancelled, the last option available for qualification is through the rankings, which will determine who gets to

compete in the Games. However, with no events happening, the chances of participating in additional meets to improve the ranking are bleak. "I know my ranking is not that great and I am hopeful I will get a chance to qualify," said Jinson.

The qualification cut-off for Tokyo is 3:35.00s and Jinson's personal best is 3:35.34s.

"I know I am a tad short of the mark but I am confident of qualifying. Athletics is all about fitness and in middle-distance I know how to pace my race. I am training hard and SAI is taking care of us really well with excellent facilities. "I just hope life returns to normalcy soon and the Games happen," he said.

Bhavani returns after WC in Belgium is cancelled

She could have sealed a place for the Tokyo Olympics

FENCING

S. DIPAK RAGAV
CHENNAI

Indian fencer Bhavani Devi could have sealed a place for the Tokyo Olympics had the scheduled World Cup event in Belgium gone ahead this weekend.

But the event was cancelled because of the Coronavirus pandemic and the fencer returned to Chennai just in time before restrictions on travel from the European Union came into force.

Bhavani, ranked World No. 45 in the Sabre category, is now in the second spot in the Adjusted Official Rankings category from Asia with a fairly comfortable cushion over her closest competitor Aigerim Sarybay of Kazakhstan.

In good position

With most of the team ranking spots sealed, she is in a good position and a decent result in Belgium would have been enough.

Speaking to *The Hindu*, the Chennai-born fencer said, "If things are frozen here now, I will qualify for the Olympics, which will be great. We don't know when the tournaments will resume."

If the Belgium event happens and her results are not enough, she will have another opportunity at the Asian continental qualifiers that is supposed to be held in April.

The 26-year-old has been based out of Italy, working



Bhavani Devi. ■ FILE PHOTO: B. VELANKANNI RAJ

under coach Nicola Zanotti in Livorno, and was contemplating returning to base from Belgium where she was having a camp before the tournament.

However, after Italy went into a lockdown she had no option but to return home even though the place she is based in is not affected much by the pandemic.

With very basic facilities for fencing in India, Bhavani has to focus on doing some fitness and rehab exercises until she is here.

"Right now I can't do much with everything shut till March 31 and I am isolating myself inside my house as a precaution.

"Also, I don't have enough sparring partners here with most of them only kids. I can focus on my fitness and some footwork practise but you can't do that for more than an hour."

"It is not ideal preparation in an Olympic year but at the same time it is pretty much the same for every athlete across the world."

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TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (Through e-Procurement Portal only)

Tenders through e-procurement portal mode are invited from the contractors/agencies that are reputed individuals/ Company and having past experience for the following works at RTPS.

Sl. No.	NIT No.	Name of the Works	Amount put to tender
1.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9612	Overhauling of air pre-heater and rectification of flue gas ducts from eco outlet to APH inlet of 1X250 MW Unit # 8 Boilers for the year 2019-20 (OH-1).	₹15,24,130/- EMD: ₹38,500/-
2.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9673	Overhauling of ID fans, FD fans, PA fans, Scammer air fans & hoists of 1 X250 MW OF Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-2).	₹9,45,244/- EMD: ₹24,000/-
3.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9674	Overhauling & servicing of high pressure valves, Overhauling & assisting in floating of safety valves, Overhauling of boiler drum & other expander/storage tanks of boilers of 1X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-3).	₹13,27,616/- EMD: ₹33,500/-
4.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9675	Overhauling of Electrostatic Precipitator s and flue gas duct from APH outlet to chimney inlet, Cleaning/rectification of air ducts and servicing/repairs of Gullotine gates, Hot air shut off gates, Cold air shut off gates, Cold and Hot air dampers of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20.	₹12,68,131/- EMD: ₹32,000/-
5.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9677	Overhauling of coal and oil firing equipments and reconditioning of eroded coal nozzle tips & coal nozzle castings of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-5).	₹15,14,103/- EMD: ₹38,000/-
6.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9679	'D' Meter survey of boiler tubes/bends and replacement of eroded tubes/bends in first pass of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-6).	₹18,45,514/- EMD: ₹46,500/-
7.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9680	'D' Meter survey of boiler tubes/bends, replacement of eroded tubes/bends, inspection/rectification/ replacement of shroudings/ cassette baffles of tubes/bends in second pass of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-7).	₹8,63,151/- EMD: ₹22,000/-
8.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9682	Repairs to Refractory, replacement of damaged insulation & Repairs/ Replacement of SS wire mesh at the bottom of the Furnace (Inside the bottom ash hopper) of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-8).	₹9,87,438/- EMD: ₹25,000/-
9.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9685	Erection, operation and dismantling after completion of work of sky climbers & hydraulic test of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-9).	₹6,65,132/- EMD: ₹17,000/-
10.	KPCL/2019-20/PS/WORK/INDENT 9686	Overhauling of wall de-slaggerms LRBSs, FTPs, Overhauling /servicing of auxiliary water pumps, Cold setting & servicing of hangers, buck stay beams; Ash/ dust cleaning & removal of scrap of 1 X250 MW Unit # 8 Boiler for the year 2019-20 (OH-10).	₹7,07,041/- EMD: ₹18,000/-

Last date for submission of Bids: 24.03.2020, 16.00 Hrs. Date of Opening of Technical Bid: 26.03.2020, 16.30 Hrs. Date of Opening of Price Bid: 27.03.2020, 16.30 Hrs. Interested bidders may submit the bids through e-Tendering website: www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in only. The detailed notification regarding subject enquiry in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to GoK e-procuremnet website: <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> Further details can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer (BM-2) RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar-584 170, Raichur (District). Mob: +91 94495 97973.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION

E-TENDER NOTICE No. E148-CN-TJP-TF-026 Date: 17-03-2020

For and on behalf of President of India, the Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer (General), Construction, Southern Railway, Egmore, Chennai - 600008 invites e-tender for the work of Nagappattinam - Tiruturaijundi New BG Line - Electrification of station buildings, Platforms and LC gate lodges including power supply arrangements etc in the Nagappattinam (Exc) and Tiruturaijundi (Exc) - Works Contract with the above tender notice. Date of tender opening of the tender is 11.30 Hrs of 15.04.2020. All other details of this tender are available in www.ireps.gov.in website.

Executive Electrical Engineer,
Construction, Tiruchchirappalli

ONGC Petro additions Limited

4th Floor, 35, Nutan Bharat Co-operative Housing Society Limited, R.C. Dutt Road, Alkapuri, Vadodara -390007, Gujarat. Ph: 0265 6192600 CIN No: U23209GJ2006PLC060282

TENDER NOTICE

Tender Number: 2018C00240, Tender Description: ARC for Electrical HT Motor rewinding, overhauling & specialized repair service for OPAL Dabhi. (Contract Duration: 03 Years + 1 Year extension provision). Tender sale period: 20.03.2020, 0900 Hrs. to 11.04.2020, 1400 Hrs. Closing date and time for Bid Submission: 11.04.2020, 1400 Hrs.

The tender document can be downloaded from OPAL website (www.opalindia.in). For other details of this tender including corrigendum if any, please login to OPAL website www.opalindia.in. In case of agencies OPAL at its option may decide to extend tender sale/bid closing/ opening date/ time in future, which will be posted on the above referred website for information. Bidders should regularly visit OPAL website for the latest information in this regard.

TRANSMISSION CORPORATION OF A.P. LIMITED, VIJAYAWADA

TENDER (ICB) NOTIFICATION

APTRANSCO invites tenders for Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Auto Transformers on turnkey basis in the State of Andhra Pradesh Under International Competitive Bidding (ICB) against specification No. **APTRANSCO/PM/21-04/2020 (ICB-8) Lot-I: 6Nos. 160MVA,220/132/11kV, 3 phase Auto Transformers at Penudakota(2Nos.), Bethamcherla (2 Nos.) and Pampanur Thanda(2 Nos.) Substations..**

The date of commencement of sale : 15.00 Hrs. on 20.03.2020 and Due Date and Time of receipt of Bids upto 14.00 Hrs. on 05.05.2020. Interested eligible Bidders can obtain bid documents in person / by post by remitting the cost of Rs.10,500/- (Including APVAT), Rs.300/- will be collected towards postage for firms within INDIA. The cost of document outside India is Rs.10,000/- or US\$ 200 and postage charges of US \$ 50 or Rs.2500/- extra by crossed Demand Draft drawn on any Scheduled / Nationalised Bank drawn in favour of the Pay Officer, Transmission Corporation of Andhra Pradesh Limited, Vijayud Soudha, Gunadala, Vijayawada-520 004, India payable at Vijayawada. For further details contact Chief Engineer/Transmission Ph.0866-2429230. Extn 2034, 2041. **DIPR 446PP/CL, Dt:19-03-2020 Sd/- Chief Engineer/Transmission**

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)

O/o CE/MM, Room No. 215, 2nd floor, Multi Story Building, PSPCL Head Office, The Mall, Patiala, Phone No. 0175-2213047, Mob: 96461-22954, 96461-11034, e-mail: psttrans@pspcpl.com, Corporate Identification Number (CIN) : U40109PB2010SGC033813, Registration Number: 33813, website: www.pspcl.in, e-tendering portal: <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Tender Enquiry No.	Q-3988/20-21/PO-T/CE-MM
Scope / Short Description	Procurement of 8000 Nos. EEL-3/Star-2 (New), ISI Marked, 11/0.433 KV, 63 KVA, Three Phase, 50 cycles, outdoor type, oil immersed, naturally cooled, core or Shell type, Stack/wound core type construction aluminium wound, CRGO/Amorphous core distribution transformers complete with fittings as per PSPCL specification & conforming to IS 1180 Part-1(2014) & 2026 (with latest amendments)
Start date for down loading of specification/tender documents from website https://eproc.punjab.gov.in	18.03.2020
Last date for down loading of specification/tender documents from website https://eproc.punjab.gov.in	15.04.2020 up to 11:00 AM
Last date of bid submission	15.04.2020 up to 11:00 AM
Bid opening date	21.04.2020 at 11:00 AM

For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>. Note: It is informed that in case tender process is not completed due to any reason, no corrigendum will be published in newspaper. Details regarding corrigendum may be seen on website <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

Chief Purchase Officer,
Central Purchase Organization,
PSPCL, Patiala

File No. C97/2020
DPR PB 636-C

FERRO SCRAP NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Corporate Office: Ferro Scrap Nigam Limited, Central Avenue, Equipment Chowk, Central Avenue, P. B. No. 37, BHILAI - 490 001 (C.G.)
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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

Sealed Tenders are invited for the following

1	TN-8/2019-20	Fabrication of Lubrication Van with Diesel Tank and accessories
2	TN-9/2019-20	Fabrication of Utility Van with accessories
3	TN-10/2019-20	Fabrication of tank for Diesel Dispensing Van (1.5KL) with accessories
4	TN-11/2019-20	Hydraulic Excavator Backhoe - 3.2 - 4.3 cum bucket capacity
5	TN-12/2019-20	Hydraulic Excavator Backhoe - 2.3 - 3.2 cum bucket capacity
6	TN-13/2019-20	Tipper of Dump Body (17 cum. or more capacity)
7	TN-14/2019-20	Tipper of Dump Body (12 cum. or more capacity)
8	TN-15/2019-20	Wheel Loader - 3cu.m (+10%) bucket capacity
9	TN-16/2019-20	Hydraulic Crawler Baling Crane with maximum lifting capacity of 100MT
10	TN-17/2019-20	Circular Lifting Magnet (65") Diameter
11	TN-18/2019-20	PQT for enlistment of supplier of OTR Tyres , Steel Wire Rope, Cables, Conveyor Belt and Lancing Tubes. Vendors who are already registered with FSN, need not apply as their earlier registration is valid.
12	TN-19/2019-20	PQT for Empanment of Valuers for valuation of Assets.

The due date of submission of Tender Nos. TN-8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 will be on or before 17/04/2020 by 2.30 PM & will be opened on 17/04/2020 at 3.00 PM & for Tender Nos. TN-15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 will be on or before 20/04/2020 by 2.30 PM & will be opened on 20/04/2020 at 3.00 PM. Visit our website www.fsn.in for Tender documents, Corrigendum, Time Extensions etc.

GM(MM)

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project (West) Division, Joint Commissioner (West) Office Premises, 2nd Floor, Sampige Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru - 20.

No: **EE/P-W/TEND/16/2019-20** Date: **19.03.2020**

INVITATION FOR TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only) (Two Cover System)

The Executive Engineer, Project (West) Division, BBMP, Bengaluru invites Short term tenders from eligible Contractors registered in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES/National Highway or any State Government Organisations for the Construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Approx. Amount put to Tender (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)	Standard Bid Document
1.	Providing CC Drains at 5th Main Road Meenakshinagara and Developments of Roads and Drains at 1st Main Kamkshipalya in Ward No-101 Kamakshipalya.	102.00	200000	KW -4
2.	Providing Elders Gym Shelter for Gym and Providing Seating Arrangements and Other Development Works at Sri Sir M Vishweshwaraiah Park (Aladamaru Park) in Ward No-101 Kamakshipalya	151.00	240000	KW -4
3.	Drilling of Borewell and Erection of Pump and Motor Providing Pipeline at Meenakshinagara in Ward No-101 Kamkshipalya.	52.00	120000	KW -2
4.	Providing Drilling Borewell and Erection of Pump and Motor and Improvements of Drains and Providing CC Road at A.K. Colony behind Govt School and A.K. Colony Kerekallu in Ward No-101.	52.00	120000	KW -2

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded in the e-procurement portal Government of Karnataka from **20.03.2020**. (2) Tenders must be submitted through e-proc on or before **27.03.2020** upto **4:00 pm**. (3) Technical Bids will be opened in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Project (West) Division on **30.03.2020** after **4:30 pm**. (4) Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **26.03.2020** at **3:30 pm** at above mentioned address. (4) Financial Bids will be opened in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Project (West) Division on **02.04.2020** after **4:30 pm** (if possible). Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in>

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