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IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Health and Child Care has, in terms of section 8(1) of the Public Health (COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) Regulations, 2020 (published in Statutory Instrument 77 of 2020) made the following order:—

- 1. This order may be cited as the Public Health (COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) (No. 2) (Amendment) Order, 2021 (No. 18).
- 2. The Public Health (COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) (No. 2) Order, 2020, published in Statutory Instrument 200 of 2020 (hereinafter called "the principal order"), is amended in section 19B ("Special provisions for restaurants, hotels and the tourism sector") is amended in subsection (2)(a) by the repeal of the proviso thereto and the substitution of—

"Provided that, for the duration of the national lockdown or unless earlier prescribed otherwise, the operation of this paragraph is subject to the condition that restaurants may only provide food for consumption on the premises to the extent of not more than fifty per centum of the seating capacity of the restaurant at any time.".

3. The principal order is amended by the insertion after section 26A of the following sections—

"Medium or high risk sports

- 26B. Notwithstanding any thing in this order, sportspersons engaged in medium or high risk sports (as defined in Part I of the Schedule) may, subject to—
 - (a) the person representing athletes in question and their associated sport staff obtaining approval beforehand in terms of section 18 ("Additional Part V exempted persons: low-risk sportspersons"); and
 - (b) the host or convener of the event complying with the measures contained in Part II of the Schedule; and

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(c) any spectators physically present at the sports venue complying with any other limitations on and precautions around gatherings contained in this order;

resume sporting activities with effect from the date of promulgation of the Public Health (COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) (No. 2) (Amendment) Order, 2021 (No. 18).

SCHEDULE (Section 26B)

PART I MEDIUM AND HIGH RISK SPORTS

Medium Risk Sports	High Risk Sports
Softball	Football
Weightlifting	Wrestling
Power lifting	Boxing
Gymnastics	Basketball
Baseball	Volleyball
Darts	Karate
Dodgeball	Taekwondo
Korfball	Netball
Pool	Handball
Sailing	Judo
Skateboarding	Hockey .
Gymnasiums	Rugby
	Bodybuilding
1	Squash
1	Wushu
	Tug of War
	Kickboxing

PART II

Measures and Standard Operating Procedures for Medium and High Risk Sports to Follow in Order to Fall into Low Risk

 PCR/Rapid Antigen testing should be done for all players, officials and club staff at least 48 hours prior to commencement of training. Rapid Antigen/ PCR tests to be done within every 14 days of training from the last test.

- When competitive leagues resume testing should be done for all players,
 officials and club staff at least 48 hours prior to commencement of competition
 and friendly matches. Thereafter testing after every 14 days whichever is
 earlier.
- 3. Testing to be done 48 hours before games.
- 4. All facilities (stadia) to be disinfected before each game.
- 5. No spectators allowed.
- All facilities to be zoned in line with IF guidelines and testing done as per the zones.
- All facilities such as showers and changing rooms to be disinfected regularly and register kept.
- 8. No sharing of the following items among or between athletes and members of the associated sport staff; personal and sports equipment and apparel, towels and other laundry; consumables and receptacles thereof, such as water bottles and cups; PPEs in the form of face masks, tissues or wipes.
- PPEs in the form of face masks, tissues, wipe and alcohol-based sanitiser
 must be available for distribution to athletes and members of the associated
 sport staff.
- 10. All teams to keep a logbook of all athletes and associated sport staff entering and exiting the stadia and keep such logbook for inspections by SRC enforcement officers at any time within 30 days from the date the event to which it relates took place.
- 11. No liquor or food to be served at stadia except water.
- 12. Detailed training schedules and venues to be submitted to SRC who shall constantly monitor adherence to protocols in line with regulations.
- Ensure all clubs strictly adhere to the WHO and current National COVID-19 protocols.
- 14. Seek waiver on maximum number of limit per gathering and intercity travel from the Ministry of Health and Child Care.
- 15. Applicants to sensitise and educate all stakeholders, participants and venue operators about COVID-19 through various media such as signage, fliers, posters etc.

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- 16. Appoint and submit to the SRC, NSA and League-details of Club Compliance Officer to ensure full compliance with COVID-19 national and international protocols.
- 17. Recommended vaccination of athletes as per the National Vaccination Roll-Out Programme.
- 18. To abide by all protocols submitted.".