

## ROWING FEDERATION OF INDIA

### PARA ROWING SELECTION CRITERIA & PROCESS FOR 2024 PARIS PARALYMPIC GAMES

1. Paralympic Games 2024 will be held in Paris, France from 28 Aug to 08 Sept 2024. 22 sports, including Para Rowing will be conducted with 184 NPCs participating. Rowing Federation of India (RFI) plans to field a crew in PR3 Mix2x.

2. **Selection Criteria.** As per the qualification criteria laid down by the World Rowing & IPC, the athletes in the crew aspiring to represent the Nation thru the NPC must be a citizen of India and in compliance with the Nationality Code published in the IPC Handbook. They should also have the approval of RFI to enter their names for the selection process. **The crew must qualify for the 2024 Paralympic Games, through one of the following events.**

2.1 World Rowing Asia & Oceania Paralympic Qualification Regatta (AOPQR) to be held under World Rowing arrangements, at Chungju, Korea from 19 to 21 April 2024.

2.2 2024 World Rowing Final Paralympic Qualification Regatta at Lucerne, Switzerland from 19 to 21 May 2024.

2.3 Thru Bipartite Quota, if offered by World Rowing.

3. **Target Timing.**

3.1 Top 3 timing in the Asian Para Games 2023.

3.2 PR3 Mix2x - 7:30.00 to 9:00.00 (variable due to weather and wind conditions).

4. **Selection Process.** The following process was adopted.

4.1 PR3 Mix2x crew comprising of Narayana Konganapalle and Anita competed at the **Asian Para Games 2023** and secured a **Silver Medal** with a timing of 08:50.7.

4.2 The crew underwent a 30 days preparation camp approved by SAI, in China where they secured a best timing of 07:44.6. The crew competed in the **Asia Oceania Paralympic Qualification Regatta** held at Chungju, South Korea from 11 Apr to 21 Apr 2024. Narayana Konganapalle and Anita **secured a PR3 Mix2x quota for the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games with a timing of 07:50.8.**

4.3 Based on their performance and based on best in-competition timings of all countries which have qualified, since World Rowing Championships 2023, they are ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in the list of crews which have qualified for Paralympic Games, under-mentioned RFI Selection Committee decided to forward the names of **Narayana Konganapalle and Anita** to represent India at the 2024 Paralympic Games in PR3 Mix2x event: -

Member 1 (Chair) - President RFI

Member 2 - Secretary General RFI

Member 3 – National Coach

Member 4 – One Arjuna Awardee

5. A total of 10 countries secured quota thru the World Rowing Championships 2023, Continental Qualification Regattas and one Bipartite quota was allotted by World Rowing. List is attached for information.