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### Olympic Scholarship for Athletes "Los Angeles 2028"

Dear Madam / Sir,

1. We are pleased to inform that the IOC Olympic Solidarity has offered NOCs for Olympic Scholarship for Athletes – Los Angeles 2028. This Programme is designed to support elite athletes proposed by their respective National Olympic Committees (NOCs) in their training and qualification efforts for the Games of the XXXIV Olympiad, Los Angeles 2028, with a focus on athletes and NOCs with the greatest needs.

2. NOCs will be allocated a maximum monthly budget of USD 9,000, typically intended to support six athletes—three male and three female. However, NOCs may propose a different distribution of scholarships, provided that the total monthly budget is not exceeded and gender parity is maintained.

- 3. As per IOC guidelines, only athletes meeting the following criteria may be nominated:
  - Olympic sport: athletes practicing an individual sport included on the programme of the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028 at an international level.
  - Minimum technical level: athletes with the technical level to be able to qualify for the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028. Proof of the athlete's technical sports level must be shown through results obtained at international competitions and recognised by the International Federations.
  - Limited access to training funds: athletes for whom a scholarship would make a significant difference in their training, and who do not have access to alternative means of paying for their preparation.
  - Ethics: athletes who have not been convicted of a doping offence or sanctioned for actions contrary to the standards of sporting ethics as established by the Olympic Charter, the IOC or the NOC.
- 4. The scholarship provides selected athletes with a fixed monthly grant covering:
  - access to appropriate training facilities/training camps;
  - a coach specialised in the relevant sporting discipline;
  - regular medical and scientific assistance and monitoring;
  - accident and illness insurance, as medical interventions are not covered by Olympic Solidarity;
  - board and lodging costs;
  - pocket money (amount to be established with the NOC or training centre);
  - travel costs for the athlete to participate in competitions, including Olympic qualification events.

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- 5. There are two training options:
  - NOC Option: Athlete trains in their current environment, typically within the country;
  - Training Centre Option: Limited placements in international training centers for athletes without sufficient local facilities. Priority will be given to those in need of structured high-performance environments.

6. Foregoing above, it is requested to please nominate suitable candidate(s) as per Para 3 above, with gender balance, on the <u>attached</u> Application Form, latest by 15 May 2025, allowing the POA sufficient time for internal review and processing. A copy of the Guidelines of the subject Program is also <u>attached</u> for your kind perusal, please. For queries or assistance, please contact the undersigned or Mr. Zaigham Abbas, Manager OS Programs (0300-4003692).

7. We look forward to receiving your nominations and working together to support Pakistan's elite athletes on their journey to Los Angeles 2028. We would greatly appreciate if athletes who possess the required potential but have not previously availed the Olympic Scholarship are recommended for the Olympic Scholarship for Athletes – Los Angeles 2028.

Thanks and best regards,

Muhammad Khalid Mahmood Secretary General Pakistan Olympic Association

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