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The District Sports Development Officer,
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Subject: Irregularities during Zonal Level National Sports Day Celebrations

Respected Sir,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate you for successfully organizing the zonal-level National Sports Day celebrations in a grand manner on **22nd August 2025** at Kommadi Integrated Sports Complex. I sincerely appreciate the efforts put in to make this event a success.

However, I am constrained to bring to your kind notice certain irregularities and undemocratic practices that took place during the event.

It is deeply unfortunate that present Olympians and international athletes from Visakhapatnam were ignored and not invited to the celebrations. This is highly objectionable, especially considering their outstanding achievements and contributions to both the state and the nation. The selection of invitees appeared biased towards certain personalities and their admirers, which is neither fair nor ethical.

For your reference, some of the notable current international medallists from Visakhapatnam who were overlooked include:

- **Jyothi Yaraji** – Olympian & Arjuna Awardee
- **K. Rajitha** – Asian Medallist
- **S. Srinivas** – Asian Medallist
- **H.M. Jyothi** – Commonwealth Medallist

It is surprising that while past athletes from 1975 and 1985 continue to receive prominence, present-day achievers who are still actively bringing laurels to the country are not being recognized. While the contributions of earlier athletes are respected, it is equally essential to honor and encourage today's champions, who inspire the younger generation.

In light of the above, I respectfully request you to:

1. **Conduct an impartial enquiry** into the lapses that occurred during the celebrations.
2. **Take corrective measures** to ensure that such irregularities do not recur.
3. **Update and maintain an accurate database of athletes** from Visakhapatnam, ensuring that all deserving athletes are duly recognized in future programmes.

I trust that your good office will take suitable steps to uphold fairness, transparency, and the dignity of sportspersons.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,


M. Narayana Rao

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