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The latest edition of the 'Inform: Sports Law' publication endeavours to provide a synopsis of key developments in sports, esports, and gaming laws in India and across the world, as well as to engage with stakeholders in these fields.

DGGI Sends Rs. 55k Cr. Tax Notices to Online Gaming Companies

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Updates



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Tennis Player Simona Halep Suspended for Anti-Doping Violations

The International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) issued a statement confirming that Romanian tennis player, Simona Halep has been suspended for four years on account of two breaches of the Tennis Anti-Doping Programme (TADP).

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BCCI Releases Policy on Prevention of Sexual Harassment

In a turning point for Indian cricket, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has released its policy on the prevention, prohibition, and redressal of sexual harassment.

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Sports Ministry Withdraws Recognition of Sqay Federation of India as an RSF

Through an order dated September 5, 2023, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports withdrew the recognition of the Sqay Federation of India (SFI) as a Regional Sports Federation (RSF) for the sport of Sqay with immediate effect.

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NADA Provisionally Suspends Sprinter Hima Das for Whereabouts Failure

The National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) has provisionally suspended the Indian sprinter, Hima Das on account of three whereabouts failures within a span of 12 months.

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FIFA Enforces German Court's Injunction against its Football Agent Regulations

Implementing the preliminary injunction issued by the District Court of Dortmund, the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) has suspended the operation of the FIFA Football Agent Regulations (FFAR) in their entirety for all transactions with a link to the German market.

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Neck Guards Made Mandatory for Australian Batters

In a press release dated September 14, 2023, Cricket Australia (CA) announced changes to CA's playing conditions for the 2023-24 season making it mandatory for batters to wear neck guards when facing fast or medium pace bowlers.

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New Sanctions Imposed on RUSADA for Non-Compliance

The Executive Committee of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has decided to issue new sanctions on the Russian Anti-Doping Agency (RUSADA) for continued non-compliance with the Agency's Code.

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WADA Approves 2024 Prohibited List, Bans Tramadol Use

The Executive Committee of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) approved the 2024 list of prohibited substances and took several important decisions in the meeting held on September 22, 2023, in Shanghai, China.

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Track & Field Athlete Tobi Amusan Cleared of Doping Charges, AIU Appeals to CAS

On September 15, 2023, the Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) filed an appeal before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) challenging the decision clearing Tobi Amusan of charges of whereabouts failures.

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ICC Charges Eight Players and Officials for Corruption

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has charged eight players and officials for violating various provisions of the Emirates Cricket Board's (ECB) Anti-Corruption Code, at the 2021 Abu Dhabi T10 Cricket League.

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Case Laws



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SC Stays Order Quashing GST Notice Against Gameskraft

Recently, the Supreme Court issued a stay on the Karnataka High Court's judgment setting aside the GST show cause notice issued against the online gaming company, M/s. Gameskraft Technologies Private Limited.

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HC Stays IOA Letter Granting Recognition to the Handball Association (India)

In an order dated July 20, 2023, the Punjab and Haryana High Court stayed the implementation of the letter issued by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) granting recognition to the Handball Association (India).

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Viacom18 Secures Injunction Against Rogue Websites Streaming BCCI Events

In an order dated September 21, 2023, the Delhi High Court granted a dynamic injunction restraining rogue websites from streaming events conducted by BCCI, over which the plaintiff has exclusive copyright.

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Basketball Federation of India Directed to Issue Provisional Certificates of Participation to Players

In an order dated August 4, 2023, the Delhi High Court directed the Basketball Federation of India (BFI) to issue provisional certificates of participation to the petitioners for taking part in the 72nd Junior National Basketball Championship First Phase for Boys and Girls.

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Asian Games 2023: Boxers' Petitions to Hold Selection Trials Dismissed

In an order dated September 20, 2023, the Punjab and Haryana High Court dismissed the petitions filed by boxers, Amit Panghal, Rohit Mor, and Sagar Ahlawat challenging the evaluation process of the Boxing Federation of India (BFI) for selection to the Asian Games squad.

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