

National Anti-Doping Agency

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Why is in news? National Anti-Doping Agency, India (NADA India) signs a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with South Asia Regional Anti-Doping Organization (SARADO) in New Delhi

NADA India signed an MoU with SARADO, **comprising of Anti-Doping Organizations of Bangladesh**, **Bhutan**, **Maldives**, **Nepal and Sri Lanka**, at the NADA India – SARADO Cooperation Meet in New Delhi.

The MoU aims to increase the Regional Cooperation in anti-doping in sport.

India's increasing participation and achievements in the international sporting arena and itseagerness to shoulder responsibility in **promoting clean sport efforts and contribute to global anti-doping movement**.

The MoU, through the project plan and areas of cooperation, aims to fulfill the following **objectives** over a period of three years:

developing an anti-doping education & prevention program in South Asia;

training & upskilling sample collection personnel, educators & other anti-doping education officers;

organizing courses, seminars, workshops, research & exchange tours on anti-doping education & prevention;

facilitating exchange of education officers, program managers, trainers, teachers and specialists on anti-doping education & prevention;

supporting anti-doping education activities and exchanging services of experts; and

producing anti-doping education literature

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The National Anti-Doping Agency of India is India's national organisation responsible for **promoting**, **coordinating**, and **monitoring the doping control program in sports** in all its forms.

The agency deals with adopting and implementing anti-doping rules and policies which **conform with the World Anti-Doping Agency**, cooperates with other anti-doping organisations and promotes anti-doping research and education.

The agency is formed by the Union Government under **National anti-doping Act 2022** and includes scientists and representatives from the Indian Olympic Association.

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