

## **Selection Criteria for selecting the Final Team/Athletes for the Commonwealth Games – 2026, Asian Judo Championships 2026, Asian Games 2026 and other International Events till Asian Games 2026:**

**1]** In continuation to the JFI's Selection Criteria & Training-Competition Programme ( 2025-2026 ) for Commonwealth Games & Asian Games 2026, Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 2025, the following are revised based on the recommendations of the JFI Selection Committee:

### **1.a]** 3.1 Commonwealth Games – 2026

- Top 8 finishers from the Senior National Judo Championships 2025-26 will be named as probable.

### **2]** Final Selection Trails among the selected Probable on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026 at KDJ, N. Delhi.

#### **2.a]** Open to only selected probable ( Men 57 athletes & Women 58 athletes )

The Selection Trials will be conducted in the following system:

Eight (08) athletes shall be drawn into two pools, Pool A and Pool B. The gold and silver medalists from the Senior National Judo Championships 2025-26 shall be seeded and placed in separate pools.

The athletes shall compete in a round-robin format within their respective pools. The winners of Pool A and Pool B shall contest the final bout to determine the top position.

The Selection Committee, if deemed necessary, may order a best-of-three bouts format to decide the final ranking. The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final and not subject to appeal.

**2.b]** Based on the performance in the trails ( 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb. 2026 ) 2 each in 7 men and 2 each in 7 women weight categories will be selected. The second-place holders will be as standby of the respective weight categories, and JFI Selection Committee is authorized to replace/substitute the winner/s as and when required.

**2.c]** Based on performance in the trials ( 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb. 2026 ), 7+2 male and 7+2 female players will be selected for the upcoming International Competitions / Trainings and Commonwealth Games - 2026 / Asian Games – 2026 / Asian Judo Championships – 2026.

The selection of the Asian Games – 2026 will be as per the guidelines of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, dated 24/09/2025.

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The tentative calendar of the International Events till Asian Games 2026 are given below:

- I] Asian Judo Championships – 2026 ( 14 ~ 20 April 2026, China )
- II] Grand Slam – Dushanbe – 2026 ( 29/4 ~ 7/5/2026, Tajikistan )
- III] Grand Slam – Astana – 2026 ( 6 ~ 11, May – 2026 )
- IV] International Training – Japan ( 10<sup>th</sup> June to 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026 )
- V] Commonwealth Games – 2026 – Glasgow ( 21/7 ~ 3/8/2026 )
- VI] International Training – 2026 Georgia ( 16 ~ 30, Aug. 2026 )
- VII] International Training – Japan ( 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. till Asian Games 2026 )

**3] Selection will be based on:**

- Current performance and fitness,
- Readiness for Senior-level Competitions,
- Medal winning potential,
- Approval by the JFI Selection Committee.

**4] Performance review Criteria:** The JFI Selection Committee will review the performance of the players prior to finalize the athletes for the Commonwealth Games 2026 and Asian Games 2026 based on the post-competition/camp/training evaluations will be submitted by the Coaches/Managers including the following before the deadlines of the submission of Final Entries for the Commonwealth and Asian Games 2026:

- Technical and tactical performance,
- Fitness, Discipline and Commitment,
- Medal winning potential.

**5] The decision of the Selection Committee will be treated as final.**

**Justice Pankaj Naqvi ( Retd.)**  
**Administrator & Chairman of the Selection Committee,**  
**Judo Federation of India**  
**29<sup>th</sup> January 2026**