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The statement issued by AFI regarding Master nation and in note it instruct that Master athletes which is above 35yrs to register with AFI on the payment of Rs. 1000.

The statement also mention that about non uniform in working MAFI. Master Athlete also failed to to understand under which Rules AFI is given power to investigate non uniform if any in MAFI headed by Shri David Premnath.

WMA also issued affiliation letter Dt. 22 January 2021 mentioning that Master's Athletics Federation of India (MAFI) is only Federation recognised by WMA.

Secondly the statement in question issued by Secretary AFI is signed by only 8 members. This proves that it is not approved by AGM of AFI.

This act of few members of AFI indicate clearly to disturb Masters movements in India which is well managed by Shri David Premnath, Secretary MAFI which is appreciated by Asia Masters Associations and World Masters Associations which AFI couldn't digest . The statement by AFI is nothing but ill effort to criticise MAFI. Just a group of 8 odd people coming together and questioning the work of MAFI, AFI has gone to the extent of taking over Master athletes and thinking of arranging National Championship, this act shows their grudges against MAFI.

We also have copy of letter issued by WMA on 07 April 2021 which WMA very swiftly reacted to AFI's above note and warn them not to perform this act for misleading Master athletes in India.

WMA further stated in their letter advised to MAFI, that in India MAFI headed by Secretary General

Mr. David Premnath is only the body recognised and affiliated by WMA as per their constitution of one affiliate per country.

Master Athlete from Bihar solidarity with Secretary General Mr. David Premnath. We also appeal all Master Athletes in India to standby solidly with our Secretary General Mr. David Premnath.

One audio clip posted on MAFI's WhatsApp group seeking legal action against the dictatorship of AFI,

We all support this legal action and we must go ahead by challenging the AFI for their published note.

With the great concern for MAFI.

Yours Sincerely

Ram Ratan Singh

Secretary Bihar Masters Athletic

Associations.