

Suspension Of Jamaica Would Be Sad, Says Usain Bolt

Jamaican star sprinter [Usain Bolt](#) has admitted that it would be nothing short of a disaster if Jamaica is banned from competing at the Rio Olympics due to the doping scandal that has rocked the country. This year, five athletes from the country including Asafa Powell tested positive for banned [performance enhancing drugs](#).

Recently, Jamaican authorities were warned by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) after a former senior official within the Jamaica Anti-Doping Commission revealed that drug testing in Jamaica is lax. WADA remarked the country may face expulsion from major competitions like the Olympics if such issues are not addressed effectively and quickly. If WADA takes the decision to ban Jamaica for the Rio Olympics, Bolt would be denied a chance of creating history by winning three straight Olympic golds over 100 meters.

Bolt, the Jamaican sprinter widely regarded as the fastest person ever, is the first man to hold both the world records in 100 and 200 meters, since fully automatic time measurements became mandatory in 1977. After WADA's statement, Bolt remarked it would be really sad for him and the sport.

Meanwhile, Jamaica's Prime Minister Portia Simpson-Miller has stepped in to dilute concerns about Jamaica getting out due to possible WADA ban. The Jamaican PM wrote to WADA that testing would remain a priority. Bolt immediately applauded the letter to WADA and said he fully welcomes anything that helps Jamaica to prove to the world that we are clean and that we are the best. Bolt went on to add that the Jamaica's Prime Minister has remarked she is going to implement these things to make the sport better so it's a joy for me. The ace sprinter also remarked that Jamaicans are really pushing the limits and really run fast and he thinks some of the times when there are drug problems a lot of people didn't do it on purpose but as an athlete you have to be aware and you have to take responsibility for these situations. The sprinter also said there are a lot of cases going on now and we will see what comes out of them, we will see if it was done on purpose or not.

Bolt also remarked that he would probably only run the 200m if he decides to compete at next year's Commonwealth Games. He added that he would discuss Glasgow participation with his coach Glen Mills and remarked he never goes against his coach. [Usain Bolt](#) also remarked that he aims to complete the 'treble treble' by winning all three disciplines at the 2016 Games in Rio to have his name in stone with many other athletes and greats like Michael Jordan and Mohammed Ali in different sports.

Bolt is the first man to win six Olympic gold medals in sprinting, and an eight-time World champion. He has been conferred with many awards, including the IAAF World Athlete of the Year, Track & Field Athlete of the Year, and Laureus Sportsman of the Year (three times).