

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS HELD
ON 8TH SEPTEMBER 2017 AT ITC MAURYA, NEW DELHI**

Attendees:

Mr. Vinod Rai – Chairman
Ms. Diana Edulji
Mr. Rahul Johri – BCCI CEO
Ms. Anaisha Paranjape – BCCI Operations
Ms. Karina Kripalani – BCCI Legal Advisor
Mr. Indranil Deshmukh (Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas)
Mr. Adarsh Saxena (Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas)

ITEM 1: MEETING WITH THE STATE ASSOCIATIONS FROM THE NORTH EAST

Mr. Pradip Buragohain (Assam Cricket Association), Mr. Ranjit Kumar Majumder (Tripura Cricket Association), Mr. Nababrata Bhattacharjee (Meghalaya Cricket Association), Mr. Singam Priyananda Singh (Manipur Cricket Association), Mr. Bendang Jamir (Nagaland Cricket Association), Mr. Lobzang Tenzing (Sikkim Cricket Association), Mr. Nabam Tuki (Arunachal Cricket Association), Mr. M.K.J. Majumdar (Cricket Association of Mizoram) and Prof. Ratnakar Shetty joined the meeting.

1. The Chairman welcomed the authorized representatives from each of the eight State Associations from the North East and thanked them for taking the time to attend this meeting with the COA. He then invited each of them to speak on the specific issues relating to their respective State Associations.
2. Each of the authorized representatives from the aforementioned eight State Associations expressed their views on the specific issues relating to their respective State Associations. The major issues on which views were expressed were:
 - (a) Need for funds
 - (b) Scheduling of matches during extended monsoon
 - (c) Need for more opportunities for players by allowing independent participation by each State Association in BCCI tournaments
 - (d) Need for better cricketing infrastructure
 - (e) Need to induct an association from Mizoram at least as an Affiliate Member of BCCI



- (f) Need to train persons at State Association level on necessary accounting controls and processes for managing funds
 - (g) Difficulty in finding a retired judge in Meghalaya for appointment as Ombudsman (specific to Meghalaya Cricket Association)
3. In relation to the difficulty in finding a retired judge for appointment as Ombudsman, the Chairman stated that it would be acceptable if a retired Chief Secretary is appointed as such person would be well-versed in adjudicatory processes, which was the requirement for Ombudsman of State Associations as per the recommendations of the Hon'ble Justice Lodha Committee.
4. Prof. Shetty outlined the steps being taken by BCCI to develop cricket in the north eastern part of India, including:
- (a) Setting up of indoor cricket academies at Shillong and Dimapur
 - (b) Central procurement of cricketing equipment and their supply to State Associations
5. Prof. Shetty advised that the State Associations from the north eastern part of India should focus on conducting school tournaments in their respective States to develop cricket at the grassroots level.
6. After further discussion, the COA decided that:
- (a) Since there was a restraint on BCCI from releasing funds unless a proper resolution was adopted by the State Association as per the orders dated 7th October 2016 and 21st October 2016 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the State Associations should pass a resolution unconditionally accepting the recommendations of the Hon'ble Justice Lodha Committee subject to any orders that may be passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, which orders shall also be accepted and implemented within one month thereof. A draft of such resolution would be circulated in a few days' time.
 - (b) Further, once funds are released, the State Associations would need to submit audited accounts/ utilization statement and additional funds would be released subject to such submission. BCCI would provide a panel of auditors for this purpose.
 - (c) In BCCI tournaments at the under-16 level, there would be a tournament amongst the Associate and Affiliate Members, after which the winner and



runner-up would go through to the main tournament. The same would be attempted at the under-23 level also.

- (d) In BCCI tournaments at the under-19 level, a combined team from the Associate and Affiliate Members would participate as it was too late to change the schedule this year but the same would be changed from next year onwards. The same would be applicable for the women's tournaments as well.

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ITEM 2: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS HELD ON 29TH AUGUST 2017

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 29th August 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman and the COA resolved that the said signed minutes should be put up on the BCCI website in the interests of transparency

ITEM 3: IMPLEMENTATION OF REFORMS AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO

A. Draft BCCI Constitution

The COA discussed the draft BCCI Constitution wherein the points made by the COA (to be suggested for consideration by the Hon'ble Supreme Court) had been incorporated and decided that the same should be provided to the persons mentioned in the Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated 23rd August 2017 after discussion with Senior Counsel.

B. Appointment of Ombudsman

After discussion, the COA decided that the failure by the office bearers to appoint an Ombudsman should be brought to the notice of the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the next date of hearing and appropriate directions in relation to appointment of Ombudsman should be sought.

ITEM 4: OTHER COA MATTERS



A. Update on Compliance of Jharkhand State Cricket Association, Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association, Bihar Cricket Association and Tripura Cricket Association

After discussion, the COA decided that:

- (a) The draft resolution discussed during the meeting with the State Associations from the north eastern part of India should also be sent to the JSCA and the UPCA.
- (b) The correct status of adoption/ implementation of the recommendations of the Hon'ble Justice Lodha Committee by the Bihar CA as well as the status of Rabi Shankar Prasad Singh in the Bihar CA should be ascertained in order to formulate the way forward.

B. Letter from the Chairman, Law Commission of India

After discussion, the COA decided that:

- (a) The matter should be referred to the office bearers of BCCI for their views; and
- (b) The CEO should respond to the Chairman of the Law Commission of India acknowledging receipt of his letter and informing him that the matter has been referred to the office bearers of BCCI

ITEM 5: LEGAL MATTERS

A. Correspondence in relation to the Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association and the Writ Petition filed by Gurmeet Singh regarding Ombudsman of Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association

After discussion, the COA issued necessary instructions in relation to the stand to be taken by BCCI in the relevant proceedings.

ITEM 6: OPERATIONS/ CRICKETING MATTERS

A. ICC Related Matters

The CEO informed the COA that ICC meetings are scheduled to be held from 8th October 2017 onwards and that he would brief the COA in detail on the issues that will be discussed during the said meetings at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

B. Domestic and International Cricket Calendar



After discussion, the COA decided that the CEO should send a letter to the concerned State Associations (those that did not have their own stadium and had taken a stadium on lease) seeking clarification that the said State Associations are in compliance with the relevant existing decisions of the Working Committee and the Tour, Programme and Fixtures Committee.

C. Renewal of Player Contracts

After discussion, the COA decided that an email should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer directing that the issue of increased compensation for domestic players/ player remuneration structure should be on the agenda for the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

D. Participation of Indian Players in International Leagues

After discussion, the COA decided that the minutes of all the relevant meetings of the General Body, Working Committee or any other Committee where this issue has been discussed should be placed before the COA so that the COA can examine the same before deciding on the appropriate course of action.

E. Matters relating to the National Cricket Academy

Based on the CEO's recommendation, the COA approved an upward salary revision for three persons employed at the National Cricket Academy.

F. Feedback from the Head Coach

Mr. Ravi Shastri joined the meeting via Skype.

1. The COA congratulated Mr. Shastri for the excellent performance by the Indian Team during the tour of Sri Lanka.
2. The COA and Mr. Shastri discussed various issues relating to Team India including the need to consult the Head Coach and Captain in relation to scheduling of matches so that adequate rest period between Matches can be provided for.
3. Mr. Shastri also informed the COA about the difficulties being faced by the team and support staff on account of the point of contact not responding with alacrity to their requirements, on account of which a large number of issues raised by the team and support staff remained pending. Mr. Shastri requested for a mechanism to be put in place for smooth co-ordination between the team management and operations.
4. The COA took note of all the issues discussed and the Chairman assured Mr. Shastri that the same would be looked into by the CEO and that a nodal person would be

designated with whom the team and support staff could have a single point of contact for all problems being encountered by them as well as for issues needing quick resolution.

Mr. Shastri left the meeting.

ITEM 7: ADMINISTRATIVE/ HR MATTERS

A. Re-Designation of Employees

1. The CEO informed the COA of the need for salary correction of certain employees as well as the need for re-designation of certain employees in order to ensure standardization of designations.
2. After discussion, the COA decided that the CEO should submit a proposal regarding the same at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

ITEM 8: ANY OTHER ITEM

A. Next COA Meeting

After discussion, the COA decided that it would meet next on 16th September 2017 at New Delhi.

Meeting concluded.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'V.R.', is written below the text 'Meeting concluded.'