

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS
HELD ON 23RD JANUARY 2018 AT HOTEL ITC MAURYA, NEW DELHI**

Mr. Vinod Rai – Chairman
Ms. Diana Edulji
Mr. Rahul Johri – BCCI CEO
Mr. Santosh Rangnekar – BCCI CFO
Ms. Karina Kripalani – BCCI Legal Advisor
Ms. Prabhjyot Chhabra – BCCI Legal Advisor
Mr. Indranil Deshmukh (Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas)
Mr. Adarsh Saxena (Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas)

**ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE
COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER 2017**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 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 2: MATTERS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Item 5(B) of Minutes of Meeting dated 3rd January 2018 – RFP for Audio-Visual Production Services

1. The COA was informed that the IPL Governing Council had not expressed any view on the issue of whether Indian broadcasters should be excluded from participating in the RFP process and left it to the COA to decide.
2. After a detailed discussion and consideration of legal opinions received, the COA decided that:
 - (a) the term in the RFP which excluded Indian broadcasters from participating in the RFP process should be removed so that all entities which otherwise meet the eligibility criteria can participate in the process and enable BCCI to select the entity which is best suited for the purpose; and
 - (b) the concerns/ apprehensions which prompted such a broad exclusion to be included in the RFP ought to be suitably addressed by putting in place effective controls/ measures to maintain and monitor the quality of production as per the requirements of BCCI.

B. Item 6(B) of Minutes of Meeting dated 3rd January 2018 – Provisioning for Liabilities in the Accounts of BCCI

1. The CFO presented a draft note on the issue and expressed the view that no further provisioning or classification as a liability is required whilst saying that he would finalize the note after discussion with the statutory auditors.
2. After discussion, the COA decided that the CFO should finalize the note after discussing with the statutory auditors.

C. Item 5(A) of Minutes of Meeting dated 3rd January 2018 – BCCI Media Rights Invitation to Tender

1. The COA was informed that pursuant to the decision taken by the COA on 3rd January 2018, MJunction had been engaged for the purpose of designing and implementing the e-auction platform for the upcoming BCCI media rights tender process and had started work.
2. The COA was also briefed on the proposed timelines for BCCI media rights invitation to tender process.
3. The COA took note of the above.

ITEM 3: IMPLEMENTATION OF REFORMS AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO

A. Way Forward for Upcoming Hearing on 29th January 2018

1. The COA was informed that the Sixth Status Report in terms of the instructions issued by the COA during the meeting held on 3rd January 2018 had been prepared and circulated to the COA.
2. The COA was also informed that pursuant to the meeting held on 3rd January 2018, the CFO and CEO had decided to file affidavits and the said affidavits had also been prepared and circulated to the CFO and CEO respectively.
3. The CFO and the CEO said that they were ready to sign their respective affidavits immediately and asked that arrangements for the same be made.
4. After discussion, the COA approved the Status Report and said that the same should be prepared for signature by the Chairman who would sign the same either the same day or the next day, depending on how soon the same could be prepared for his signature.

B. Resolution passed by the Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association



1. The COA was informed that the Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association (“UPCA”) had forwarded a copy of the resolution passed at the AGM of the UPCA held on 22nd September 2017 but was yet to file an affidavit in the Hon’ble Supreme Court enclosing the same.
2. The COA took note of the above.

C. Claims for Infrastructure Subsidy

1. The COA was informed that while the CEO had already asked the Acting Secretary to call for a meeting of the Infrastructure Subsidy Committee, there was still the issue of whether infrastructure subsidy payments can be released to a non-compliant State Association.
2. After discussion, the COA decided that:
 - (a) the Infrastructure Subsidy Committee should first scrutinize the claims submitted by various State Associations as per the relevant rules/ regulations governing grant of Infrastructure Subsidy; and
 - (b) if and after claims are approved by the Infrastructure Subsidy Committee and before the amounts are released to the relevant State Associations, the same should be put up before the COA for appropriate decision.

ITEM 4: LEGAL MATTERS

A. Matters relating to Rajasthan Cricket Association

1. The COA was briefed on the matters relating to the Rajasthan Cricket Association (“RCA”).
2. The COA was also informed that the Rajasthan Royals franchisee had made a representation requesting that they be permitted to play all their home matches at the same venue and that two venues viz. Jaipur and Pune were under consideration by the IPL Governing Council for this purpose but no final decision had been taken as yet.
3. After discussion, the COA decided that it would address an email to IMG requesting that the venue/ recce report(s) for Jaipur and Pune should be placed before the IPL Governing Council before a decision is taken regarding the home venue for Rajasthan Royals, which report should contain IMG’s recommendation for the venue including a comparative analysis of both the venues, state of readiness, time-frame for preparing the venues, etc.

B. Matter relating to Elections of the Hyderabad Cricket Association

1. The COA was briefed on the matters pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court and one of the District Courts at Hyderabad regarding the validity of the elections of the Hyderabad Cricket Association ("HCA").
2. After discussion, the COA issued appropriate instructions in relation to the said proceedings.

C. Matters relating to the Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association

1. The COA was informed that BCCI had, in terms of an earlier decision of the COA, addressed letter dated 10th January 2018 to the Central Bureau of Investigation ("CBI"), drawing attention to the order dated 13th October 2017 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Jammu & Kashmir ("JKHC") *inter alia* appointing administrators in respect of the Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association ("JKCA") and the order dated 6th December 2017 passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of the JKHC. Vide the said letter, BCCI had communicated the COA's view that (i) the amount may be released to the CEO of JKCA and/or any other person who may be designated by the administrators of JKCA; and (ii) the CEO/ such authorized person shall deal with the amounts under the instructions and directions of the administrators of JKCA.
2. The COA was then informed that subsequent to the aforesaid letter, an SLP had been filed challenging the order dated 6th December 2017 passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of the JKCA.
3. After discussion, the COA decided that a letter should be addressed to the CBI informing that an SLP has been filed against the order dated 6th December 2017.

ITEM 5: CRICKETING MATTERS

A. BCCI Awards

After discussion, the COA decided that a panel comprising of the Acting President, the Acting Secretary and Mr. N. Ram could decide on the awardees.

B. Memorandum on Registration of Players for IPL Auction 2018

1. The COA was informed that the Bihar Cricket Association ("BCA") had addressed a letter dated 13th January 2018 to the COA communicating the names of certain players registered with the BCA and requesting that the said players be considered for the IPL Auction 2018. The COA was also informed the Cricket Association of Pondicherry ("CAP") had addressed an email dated 16th January 2018 to BCCI



requesting for the necessary forms, if any, to submit detailed player profiles for IPL Auction 2018.

2. After discussion, the COA decided that:

(a) the BCA should be informed of the current practice/ policy of BCCI in relation to participation of players in IPL Auction and told that any anomaly in the said practice/ policy will be addressed going forward since the process of registration of players for the IPL Auction 2018 was already at a sufficiently advanced stage; and

(b) the CAP should be informed that its request could not be entertained at this stage since it has not yet been formally inducted as a member of BCCI despite the COA's decision as the matter was pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

C. Recruitment

1. The COA was informed that applications for various positions had come in and are being sifted through for the purpose of short-listing by the CEO in consultation with the relevant Head of Department. It was suggested that a committee be formed for the purpose of conducting interviews of short-listed applicants and selecting the person to be appointed.

2. The COA was also informed that one of the persons in the legal team would be leaving shortly and there was a need to recruit another person to fill the said vacancy. It was further suggested that BCCI should hire one additional person in the legal team as compliance executive who would be the custodian of all the records of BCCI and perform functions akin to those performed by a company secretary for companies.

3. The COA was informed that the General Manager (Cricket Operations), Mr. Saba Karim and the Chief Operating Officer – National Cricket Academy ("NCA"), Mr. Tufan Ghosh would present their respective plans/ structures for the Cricket Operations department and the NCA respectively at a subsequent meeting of the COA along with the positions that were required to be filled.

4. After discussion, the COA decided that:

(a) Since a large number of applications are received for the positions of (i) Inventory Manager – NCA, (ii) Marketing and Sales Manager and (iii) Human Resource Manager, the applications received for each of the positions will be shortlisted by the following persons:



- (1) Applications for Inventory Manager – NCA will be shortlisted by the CFO and the COO – NCA;
 - (2) Applications for Marketing and Sales Manager will be shortlisted by the General Manager – Cricket Operations and the COO – IPL; and
 - (3) Applications for Human Resource Manager will be shortlisted by the General Manager – Cricket Operations and the CFO;
- (b) A panel comprising of Ms. Diana Edulji, the Acting President, the Acting Secretary and the CEO will interview the shortlisted candidates for all the aforementioned three positions;
- (c) BCCI should call for applications by issuing an advertisement on the BCCI website for a position on the BCCI legal team, who would report to the Senior Legal Advisor; and
- (d) BCCI should call for applications by issuing an advertisement on the BCCI website for the position of Compliance Executive, who would report to the Senior Legal Advisor.

ITEM 6: FINANCE MATTERS

A. Transfer of Finance Executives between Mumbai HQ and National Cricket Academy

1. The CFO informed the COA that one of the finance executives currently based at the NCA in Bengaluru had requested to be transferred to Mumbai whereas another finance executive currently based at Mumbai had requested to be transferred to the NCA in Bengaluru. He suggested that this rotation/ interchange may be acceded to.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the transfer of the two specific finance executives between Mumbai HQ and National Cricket Academy should be done.

B. Tally Patch Software

1. The CFO present a proposal from Antraweb Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (“**Antraweb**”) for providing a software patch of Tally Data Import and Export which is a customization for uploading of expenses, payment list generation, etc. at a cost of Rs. 2,26,000/- plus GST.
2. After discussion, the COA approved the purchase of tally patch software from Antraweb at a cost of Rs. 2,26,000/- plus GST.

C. Closure of Bank Accounts at New Delhi and Baroda



1. The CFO informed the COA that pursuant to the decision taken by the COA during its meeting held on 10th and 11th November 2017, Account No. 000394600000713 at Yes Bank, Chanakyapuri Branch, New Delhi and Account No. 01900100017886 at Bank of Baroda, Baroda had been closed.

2. The COA took note of the above.

D. Visit by GST – Anti-Evasion Department Officials on 17th/ 18th January 2018

1. The CFO informed the COA that officials from the GST anti-evasion department had visited BCCI HQ on 17th/ 18th January 2018 for reviewing vendor invoices and CENVAT credit quantification.

2. The COA took note of the above.

E. Visit by TDS Officials on 4th January 2018

1. The CFO informed the COA that officials from the TDS department had visited BCCI HQ on 4th January 2018. Thereafter, the CEO and CFO had visited the office of the TDS department on 8th January 2018 and provided all the information sought by them and paid TDS as demanded.

2. The COA took note of the above.

F. Payment to Mr. Sunil Joshi on behalf of Assam Cricket Association

1. The CFO informed the COA that an amount of Rs. 8,62,580/- (being the invoice amount inclusive of GST) is payable by the Assam Cricket Association (“ACA”) to Mr. Sunil Joshi, which amounts had been confirmed by the ACA and the supporting documents in respect of which had been checked by the Finance Team. He suggested that BCCI could release the payment directly to Mr. Sunil Joshi and debit the said amount to the ACA’s account.

2. After discussion and based on the CFO’s representation that the payment to Mr. Sunil Joshi was proposed to be released in accordance with existing decisions of the COA and in compliance with the conditions/ procedures stipulated by the COA for release of such payments, the COA approved the invoice amount of Rs. 8,62,580/- (inclusive of GST) to Mr. Sunil Joshi with a corresponding debit against the ACA’s share of amount due to association.

G. Presentation on Income Tax Issues

1. The CFO made a presentation on the status of various income tax matters relating to BCCI.
2. At the end of the presentation, the Chairman observed that there was a need to evolve a tax efficient method/ proposal for various payments made by BCCI to State Associations, players, etc.
3. After discussion, the COA decided that the CFO should formulate a proposal for achieving tax efficiency in various payments made by BCCI and present the same to the COA.

ITEM 7: ANY OTHER MATTER

A. Treasurer's Email dated 14th January 2018

1. The COA noted the various points raised by the Treasurer in his detailed email dated 14th January 2018.
2. After discussion, the COA decided that:
 - (a) There was no merit in the Treasurer's assertions in relation to the engagement of Dhruva Advisors LLP because while there had been some discussion about engaging the said firm, the same had not been done;
 - (b) There was no merit in the Treasurer's assertions in relation to payment of OTB to retired women cricketers because (i) Ms. Diana Edulji had recused herself from the said discussions/ decision; (ii) it would not have been fair to deprive all eligible retired women cricketers of the benefit of OTB payment just because Ms. Diana Edulji is a member of the COA; and (iii) it would also not have been fair to ask or expect Ms. Diana Edulji and/or her sister to refuse the OTB payment that was being made to all other eligible retired women cricketers just because Ms. Diana Edulji is a member of the COA; and
 - (c) The COA would consider the other points raised by the Treasurer in his email dated 14th January 2018 after the BCCI management (i.e. CEO/ CFO) had provided their inputs on the same.

Meeting concluded.

