

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS
HELD ON 6th JULY 2019 AT ITC MAURYA, NEW DELHI**

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ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS HELD ON 8TH APRIL 2019, 27TH APRIL 2019, 3RD MAY 2019, 21ST MAY 2019, 27TH MAY 2019 AND 7TH JUNE 2019

After some discussion, the COA instructed that certain changes should be carried out to the draft minutes of the COA meeting held on 8th April 2019 and that the revised minutes of the COA meeting held on 8th April 2019 and the draft minutes of the meetings of the COA meetings held on 27th April 2019, 3rd May 2019, 21st May 2019, 27th May 2019 and 7th June 2019 should be placed before the COA at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

ITEM 2: LEGAL MATTERS

The Advocate on Record engaged by BCCI in the legal proceedings relating to the Rajasthan Cricket Association joined the meeting along with BCCI's legal advisor for these matters.

A. Update on Rajasthan Cricket Association

1. The Advocate on Record briefed the COA on the status of the matters pending before the Rajasthan High Court in relation to the Rajasthan Cricket Association ("RCA"). He further informed the COA that RCA had not yet complied with the conditions communicated to the RCA on 11th December 2017.
2. There was a detailed discussion regarding how the RCA has not complied with the aforesaid conditions. The issues faced by BCCI in having to directly conduct cricketing activities in the State were also discussed.

3. After some further discussion, the COA decided that the matter may be taken up at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

The Advocate on Record and BCCI's legal advisor for these matters left the meeting.

B. Meeting with the Representatives of the Associations seeking Affiliation to BCCI from the Union Territory of Chandigarh

1. The COA noted that vide order dated 11th May 2018, the Hon'ble Supreme Court had directed the COA to look into the grievances made in Civil Appeal No. 4235 of 2014 filed by UT Cricket Association, Chandigarh ("UTCA").
2. The COA noted that the Affiliation Committee of the BCCI had visited the Union Territory of Chandigarh on 25th and 26th March 2019 and submitted its report to the COA for consideration. Vide e-mail dated 26th June 2019, the report of the Affiliation Committee was sent to the 3 claimant associations, i.e. UTCA, Chandigarh Cricket Association (affiliated to Punjab Cricket Association ("CCA-P")) and Chandigarh Cricket Association (affiliated to Haryana Cricket Association ("CCA-H")), with a request to provide objections, if any, within 7 days. Thereafter, vide e-mail dated 1st July 2019, the 3 claimant associations were informed that their duly authorised representatives may appear before the COA on 6th July 2019 at New Delhi to make oral submissions at a personal hearing.

Two representatives each from UTCA and CCA-P joined the meeting. The representatives of CCA-H did not attend the meeting.

3. The respective representatives of UTCA and CCA-P made their oral submissions.
4. After hearing the representatives of the two claimant associations as aforesaid, the Chairman observed that there appears to be consensus that an association from the Union Territory of Chandigarh should be granted affiliation to the BCCI. The COA suggested that in the interest of cricket, the claimant associations can come together to form one association, which would be granted affiliation to the BCCI.
5. After some discussion, the representatives of UTCA and CCA-P informed the COA that they would work together on a proposal to merge/come together/ form one association, which can be considered for the grant of affiliation by the BCCI. The COA was happy to note that the claimant associations are willing to work together and instructed that CCA-H should also be included in such discussions.
6. The COA directed that a proposal from the claimant associations should be placed for COA's considerations at the earliest, failing which the COA would take a decision as to which of the two claimant associations should be granted affiliation.

The representatives of UTCA and CCA-P left the meeting.

C. Status Update on Indian Cricketer' Association

The consultant engaged to assist the Indian Cricketers' Association ("ICA") joined the meeting.

1. The COA was informed that the registration certificate for the Indian Cricketers' Association ("ICA") has been received. The COA was briefed on certain administrative requirements for the ICA, which would be necessary for the constitution of the membership body of the ICA.
2. The next steps with regard to the above were also discussed.

The consultant engaged to assist the ICA left the meeting.

D. ICC Regulations on Sanctioning of Events and Player Release

1. The draft regulations proposed by the International Cricket Council ("ICC") on sanctioning of events and player release was placed before the COA. BCCI's intended response containing its observations/ objections to the same was also placed before the COA.
2. After a detailed discussion, the COA decided that the BCCI's response letter to the ICC should be suitably revised as per discussions during the meeting and thereafter sent to the ICC by the CEO.

E. Letter from Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

1. The letter dated 26th June 2019 received from the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports in response to a letter dated 8th November 2017 sent by the BCCI was noted by the COA.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that no response is to be sent to the letter at present.

ITEM 3: CRICKETING MATTERS

A. Affiliation of an Association from the State of Uttarakhand

1. The COA was informed that once the Affiliation Committee report is finalised, the report would be sent to the COA for consideration. The COA discussed the process to be followed for the grant of affiliation.

2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the claimant associations should be called for a hearing at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

B. Video Analysts for Women's Team

1. The COA was informed that video analysts are to be engaged for the Women's Team.
2. After some discussion it was decided that, in terms of the BCCI Constitution, the appropriate committee would be tasked with the work of engaging video analysts for the women's team. Advertisements will be issued for getting applications for engaging video analysts and other support staff. Similar process vis-à-vis advertisements shall be followed for engaging support staff for Men's and Junior teams as well.

C. Terms of Reference for BCCI Observer to 9 new State Associations and End Use fund Utilisation by the State Associations

1. The draft terms of reference for the BCCI observer to the 9 new State Associations and the end use fund utilisation by the State Associations was placed before the COA.
2. The COA directed that the drafts should be circulated to the COA members on e-mail.

D. NOC from BCCI to Retired Players

1. The COA discussed the requirement of providing no-objection certificates to retired players for participating in tournaments outside India.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that no action is required to be taken on this issue at present.

ITEM 4: FINANCE MATTERS

A. Reminder Letter to ICC regarding ICC T20 World Cup 2016

The BCCI legal advisor in relation to this matter joined the meeting.

1. The COA was informed that as the World T20 was held in India in 2016, BCCI made all efforts to ensure tax exemption to ICC. Prior to this event, these events have always received full tax exemption. However, for the event in 2016, the tax authorities directed that 10% of the amount payable by ICC's broadcaster to ICC under their media rights agreement should be withheld. The COA was informed that the ICC is now attempting to recover this amount from BCCI by deducting the same from the amounts payable by ICC to BCCI.

2. After detailed discussion, the COA decided that since the agreement between BCCI and ICC in relation to the hosting of the ICC T20 World Cup 2016 is governed by English law, the opinion of an English Law firm should be obtained and the further course of action would be determined based on the said opinion.

The BCCI legal advisor in relation to this matter left the meeting.

B. Update on BCCI – Income Tax Exemption/ Registration u/s 12AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961

1. The issue of BCCI's request for exemption from tax and the related pending proceedings were discussed.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the opinion of an eminent tax lawyer should be obtained, pursuant to which a decision may be taken in this regard.

C. BCCI Fund position

The COA was briefed on the investment portfolio of the BCCI. The COA took note of the same.

ITEM 5: ANY OTHER MATTER

A. Tamil Nadu Premier League

1. The COA was informed that the Tamil Nadu Cricket Association ("TNCA") has requested that outside players be allowed to participate in the Tamil Nadu Premier League ("TNPL"). The COA was apprised as to the previous requests made by the TNCA in this regard as well as the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court on this issue.
2. The COA was informed that the Cricket Association of Pondicherry ("CAP") has approached BCCI stating that CAP should be included in the list of members on the BCCI website. It was discussed that the CAP may be included as a member of the BCCI on the website, if such a list is published on the BCCI website.
3. After some discussion, the COA decided that:
 - (a) Communication may be sent to the TNCA indicating that the special permission to allow participation of outside players in the TNPL is rejected; and
 - (b) CAP may be included in the list of members of the BCCI on its website.

B. Payments to a Retired Cricketer

1. The COA discussed the issue of payments not being made to a certain retired cricketer.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that no further decision is required to be taken in this matter.

C. Internal Circular for Approval of Contracts and Tenders

After some discussion, the COA approved the draft internal circular for approval of contracts and tenders.

D. Sponsorship of IPL

The COA was informed that a sponsor has withdrawn from the sponsorship. The COA took note of the same.

E. Agreement with Head Coach at the National Cricket Academy

The COA was informed that the draft retainership agreement has been sent to the successful applicant for the position of Head Coach at the National Cricket Association.

F. Membership of two State Associations by the same Individual

After some discussion, the COA decided that draft directions permitting an individual to take membership of only one State Association at a time should be placed before the COA.

G. Letters from KKR & RR

The COA was informed about the letters received from Knight Riders Sports Pvt Ltd and Royal Multisport Private Ltd. The COA took note of the same.

Meeting concluded.

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