

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS
HELD ON 16TH SEPTEMBER 2019 AT HOTEL ITC MAURYA, NEW DELHI**

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**ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS HELD ON 15TH JULY 2019**

The COA perused the draft minutes of the COA meeting held on 15th July 2019 and approved the same. The COA decided that once the minutes have been signed by the Chairman, the minutes should be put up on the BCCI website in the interests of transparency.

ITEM 2: LEGAL MATTERS

A. Amount due to BCCI – pending litigation

1. The COA was briefed as to the developments in the matter relating to BCCI's claim against under an earlier agreement.
2. After some discussion, the COA instructed that the BCCI should continue to engage in discussions with a view to attempting to arrive at a resolution to the dispute.

B. Show Cause Notice issued to a Player

1. Reference was made to the discussions during the COA meeting held on 6th September 2019. The COA was informed that the concerned player has tendered an apology in response to the show cause notice issued to him.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the apology should be accepted and no further action is required to be taken in this regard.



ITEM 3: IPL MATTERS

A. Request For Proposals Document for following services for IPL (i) Fan Parks; (ii) LED Boards & Replay Screens (iii) Media Planning and Buying; (iv) Opening Ceremony; (v) Advertisement Campaign and (vi) security

1. The COA was informed that various existing IPL agreements (i.e. those relating to (i) Fan Parks; (ii) LED Boards & Replay Screens (iii) Media Planning and Buying; (iv) Opening Ceremony and (v) Advertisement Campaign; have expired and that the process for awarding the same needs to be initiated for the same.
2. The COA was also informed that although the existing IPL agreement for Security contains a provision which enables BCCI to extend the same by 1 (one) more year, BCCI does not wish to extend the said agreement.
3. After some discussion, the COA decided that:
 - (a) the process of preparing the Request For Proposals Documents (“RFPs”) may be initiated for awarding fresh agreements relating to (i) Fan Parks; (ii) LED Boards & Replay Screens; (iii) Media Planning and Buying; (iv) Opening Ceremony; and (v) Security; and
 - (b) the process of preparing the RFP for Advertisement Campaign may be initiated subject to discussions with Star India Pvt. Ltd. regarding a joint advertisement campaign.

B. IPL Player Auction & IPL Player Regulations/ Playing Conditions

1. The COA was informed that the BCCI proposes to schedule the IPL Player Auction in December 2019 for the next IPL Season. The COA was further informed that the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy/ tournament is being advanced in order to ensure that the IPL Player Auction is held after the said tournament.
2. The COA was also informed that certain new processes are being considered to ensure clean decision making in the IPL. Further, a few changes in the IPL Player Regulations/ Playing Conditions are also being considered and simultaneously being discussed with the International Cricket Council (“ICC”). The COA was requested to consider approving the running of a pilot involving the proposed changes during one of the other domestic tournaments conducted by the BCCI.
3. After some discussion, the COA decided that:
 - (a) the IPL Player Auction should be held in December 2019; and



- (b) a test run of the proposed changes in the IPL Playing Conditions can be done during one of the other domestic tournaments conducted by the BCCI.

ITEM 4: CRICKETING MATTERS

A. Pakistan Women's Team

1. The COA discussed that the permission of the Government of India has not been received for hosting the Pakistan Women's Team in India and that it would, therefore, be advisable for the BCCI to inform the ICC of the same.
2. The COA noted that, as discussed at the ICC meetings, in such a situation, the points for the same are likely to be shared between both teams.
3. The draft communication to the ICC in relation to BCCI's inability to host the Pakistan Women's Team was discussed and approved and the COA decided that the same should be sent to the ICC.

B. Felicitation/ Reward for the Indian Divyang Cricket Team

1. The COA was informed the Indian Divyang Cricket Team has won the World Cup for the physically challenged. It was recommended that a cash award should be given to the players and the support staff of the said team.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that a cash award should be given to the players and support staff of the said team and that a proposal for the cash award should be placed before the COA for approval.

C. Zimbabwe Tour of India

1. The COA was updated on the status of Zimbabwe's tour to India.
2. The COA took note of the same.

D. Requirement of Former/ Retired Cricketers to obtain No Objection Certificate from BCCI

1. The COA discussed the issue of whether former/ retired players are required to obtain a No Objection Certificate ("NOC") from the BCCI to participate in foreign/ other cricket leagues and/or other cricketing activities not relating to the BCCI.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that:



- (a) it is necessary for a former/ retired player to obtain NOC from BCCI to participate in foreign/ other cricket leagues and/or other cricketing activities not relating to the BCCI;
- (b) For the above purpose, a policy needs to be put in place regarding the circumstances and conditions on which such NOC shall be granted/ refused so that there is uniformity and consistency in BCCI's stand in this regard; and
- (c) For the time being, an ad-hoc policy should be formulated and placed before the COA for approval.

E. Sikkim – Proposal for Phase 2 Development of Rangpo Mining Ground

- 1. The COA was informed the Phase 1 for the development of Rangpo Mining Ground for cricket is almost complete and that the Phase 2 is the next stage in the project.
- 2. It was discussed that the matter may be taken up by the elected body of the BCCI, once the BCCI elections have taken place and that no further action needs to be taken at this time.

F. Resource for Age Verification Department

- 1. The COA was informed that as the work load in relation to age verification has increased, another resource will be necessary for the said work. It was suggested that this resource can be engaged on contract basis for a period of 6 months.
- 2. After some discussion, the COA decided that an additional resource may be engaged, on contract basis, for the age verification related work.

G. Resource for Marketing Department

- 1. The COA was informed that an additional person is required in the marketing team to assist the current team.
- 2. After some discussion, the COA approved the recruitment of 1 (one) person on short term basis for the Marketing Department.

H. Increase in Per Diems for Team India and Selectors

- 1. The proposal for the increase in per diem payable to the Team India and the members of the various Selection Committees was placed for COA's approval. The COA was informed that this proposal is being made to ensure that the per diems payable to the

selectors is on par with the remaining staff. The COA noted that the increase would be effective from 1st September 2019.

2. After some discussion, the COA approved the proposal for the revision in the per diem payment to the members of the Selection Committees and also to the Indian team.

I. Contract Extension and Increments of Team India Support staff

1. The proposal for the remuneration proposed to be paid to the Team India (men and women) support staff was placed for COA's approval. The COA was informed that an attempt has been made to ensure parity in payment for all the support staff.
2. The COA discussed that for the employees who are continuing with the BCCI, the standard increments in remuneration should be provided for the season starting from 1st September, 2019.
3. After some discussion, the COA approved the extension and increment of all support staff.

J. Approval for Business Class Travel for Team India

1. The approval of the COA was requested for business class travel for members of Team India (men and women) while travelling to and from the National Cricket Academy, for medical checks and treatment and generally for cricket related activity.
2. After some discussion, the COA approved the proposal of business class travel for Team India for all cricket related activities.

ITEM 5: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Employees on Contract

1. The COA was informed that inadvertently, the contracts of certain full-time employees/ retainers proceed on the basis of employment for a specific term instead of full time employment/retainer. The COA was requested to regularise the appointments of these employees/ retainers so that they would be engaged as full time employees/ retainers.
2. After some discussion, the COA regularised the appointment made and instructed to make them full time employees/ retainers.

ITEM 6: FINANCE MATTERS

A representative from BCCI's Auditor joined the meeting.



A. Presentation by Auditor on Methodology of Allocation/ Disbursement of Funds to State Associations

1. The representative took the COA through the presentation prepared on the methodology of allocation/ disbursement of funds to State Associations. The COA noted that the presentation provided a general outline of the broad philosophy that may be followed for fund distribution in the future. The COA was of the view that a more specific, detailed analysis should be undertaken in relation to criteria for arriving at grading system for the State Associations.
2. The representative requested some time to revert on whether the auditor firm would be able to undertake this detailed analysis.

The representative from BCCI's Auditor left the meeting.

B. Insurance Payment to Player

1. The COA was informed that one of the players who was injured during IPL 2017 has requested for compensation for loss of pay for IPL 2017. The COA was informed that there are 2 insurance policies in place for such circumstances and only 50% of the claim has been admitted at present.
2. After some discussion, the COA approved the payment (upto 50% of the claim or claim admitted by the insurance company) to the player and the claim to be made to the insurance companies for recovery of the amount.

C. Payment of 2nd Instalment to State Associations

1. The COA was informed that some of the State Associations which have provided the utilization certificate for the 1st instalment of funds have requested for the disbursement of the 2nd instalment.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the matter may be taken up at a subsequent meeting of the COA.

D. BCCI Finance Employee (Settlement on Account of Ill Health)

1. The COA was informed that one of the employees in the Finance Department is suffering from a medical condition which causes him difficulty in continuing to work. A request was made to make payment of a lump sum to the employee and discharge him from service.



2. After some discussion, the COA decided that the matter may be taken up on receipt of a formal request from the employee.

E. Opening of New Bank Account with Axis Bank

1. The COA was informed that a new account is proposed to be opened, against the existing Yes bank account, the funds of which would be used for the WC-T20 2016.
2. The COA took note of the above.

F. BCCI Annual Accounts for FY 2017-18 & IPL Statement for Season 2018

1. The COA was informed that the annual accounts for the FY 2017-18 have been discussed with the office bearers and finalised by the auditors. Further, the signatures of the office bearers were pending on the same.
2. After some discussion, the COA approved the annual accounts for the FY 2017-18 and the IPL Statement for Season 2018 and passed the following resolution.

“Resolved that, draft audited financial statements for the year ended 1st April, 2017 to 31st March, 2018 i.e. Income and Expenditure Account for the period from 1st April, 2017 to 31st March, 2018, Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2018 and the IPL Statements for Season 2018, notes on the said financial statements and the draft Auditors’ Report and the audit observations along with the BCCI replies on the same be and are hereby approved.

The approved audited financial statements for the year 2017-18 along with notes thereon and Auditors’ report on the same be and are hereby recommended to General Body Meeting for its approval.”

COA also authorized CEO to sign the above stated resolution on behalf of BCCI and further directed that the office bearers shall sign the annual accounts for the FY 2017-18 and the IPL Statement for Season 2018.

G. BCCI Sponsor Matter

1. The COA was informed that one of the sponsors of the BCCI is required to pay BCCI for the 1 (one) match between India and New Zealand that was washed out during the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019. The COA was further informed that the concerned sponsor has agreed to make this payment and make a claim from the insurance company.
2. The COA took note of the above.

H. Fixed Deposits due for maturity in September/ October 2019

1. The COA was informed that certain Fixed Deposits held by the BCCI are to mature in September/ October 2019 and that the funds received on maturity shall be used for making payments towards tax demands and fund disbursement to the State Associations.

2. The COA took note of the above.

I. Amount Due from ICC

1. The COA was informed that certain funds are due from ICC towards ICC Distribution of Income for the year 2019 and are to be released to BCCI by ICC on submission of audited financial statement of BCCI for the financial year 2017-18, however ICC is to receive certain funds from BCCI pertaining to WC-T20-2016 tournament which was held in India, subject to certain conditions, which ICC is to adjust against the dues owed to BCCI.

2. The COA took note of the above.

J. Payment to Cricket Australia

1. The COA was informed that BCCI is required to pay certain amount to Cricket Australia for release fees of IPL Season 2018.

2. The COA took note of the above.

K. GST/Service Tax Amnesty Scheme

1. The COA was informed that pursuant to an opinion received from the tax advisors/consultants, BCCI shall proceed with taking advantage of the GST Scheme for the settlement of its tax liability.

2. The COA took note of the above.

L. Payment of Travel Allowance/ Daily Allowance to Rajasthan Cricket Association

1. The COA was informed that the Rajasthan Cricket Association (“RCA”) has sought reimbursement of payments made by the RCA towards Travel Allowance (“TA”)/ Daily Allowance (“DA”) to Secretary of District Cricket Association of RCA for the IPL matches in Jaipur for IPL Season 2019.

2. It was discussed that the above should be verified prior to any payments being made.

M. Matter relating to a Former Player



1. The COA was informed that a former player has sought information relating to payments (if any) that may be due to him.
2. After some discussion, the COA decided that no action needs to be taken in this regard.

N. Provision for Liability for Pending Litigation Matters

1. The COA was informed that, as advised by the auditors, BCCI would be provision for litigation liability in its books of accounts, going forward.
2. In relation to this, the COA passed the following resolution:

“Resolved that, BCCI to create a “provision for contingent liabilities” towards various legal proceedings amounting to Rs 500 crores every year from the FY 2017-18 to the extent of estimated / projected liabilities arising out of legal proceedings. This shall be reviewed every year based on the legal updates and audit review.”

COA also authorized CEO to sign the above stated resolution on behalf of BCCI.

ITEM 7: ANY OTHER MATTER

A. Status of Compliance by State Associations

1. The COA discussed the provisions of the constitution relating to formulation of rules of procedure for the elections. The COA discussed that this provision would be applicable to the Apex Council (once elected) and that the present elections are being held pursuant to orders of the Hon’ble Supreme Court.
2. The COA discussed the need for appointment of a new Electoral Officer for the Bihar Cricket Association (“BCA”), as the previously appointed Electoral Officer had tendered his resignation.

The Chairman of the Independent Supervisory Committee for the BCA joined the meeting via tele conference.

3. The Chairman of the Independent Supervisory Committee for the BCA was informed that the COA had taken note of the resignation of the Electoral Officer of the BCA and was in the process of finalising a new candidate for appointment.

The Chairman of the Independent Supervisory Committee for the BCA left the meeting.



4. The COA discussed the modalities for the appointment of the new Electoral Officer for the BCA. The COA noted that adequate security measures should be provided to the new Electoral Officer while undertaking this assignment.
5. There was a telephonic conversation between the COA and the person being considered for appointment as the new Electoral Officer for the BCCI and the availability of the said person for such appointment was confirmed. Accordingly, the COA decided that the CEO should discuss the terms of appointment and explain the same to the said person who is to be appointed as the new Electoral Officer for the BCA.
6. The COA discussed the e-mail received from the Mumbai Cricket Association relating to their inability in carrying out changes to the constitution. After some discussion, the COA decided that appropriate response, directing the association to carry out the required changes, should be sent.
7. The COA was informed that some of the compliant associations have requested for the release of the first instalment of the amounts due to the association. After some discussion, the COA decided that the matter can be considered at a subsequent meeting.
8. The COA discussed the course of action to be followed in relation to reports that may be received from observers who have been sent to the State Associations. After some discussion, it was decided that the COA shall take note of any grievances raised in the report and address communication to the association and the relevant Electoral Officer to take cognisance of the same.
9. The COA was informed that some of the Electoral Officers of the State Associations have not been provided copies of the various directions and advisories issued by the COA. After some discussion, the COA decided that all the directions / advisories should be re-sent to the State Associations and the Electoral Officers of the State Associations.
10. The COA discussed the status of compliance of the Goa Cricket Association and the Odisha Cricket Association and decided that observers should be sent to these associations.
11. The COA perused the draft response to the queries raised on the advisory on the 9 + 9 rule. After some discussion, the COA approved the draft and directed that the same should be uploaded on the BCCI website. Ms. Edulji expressed her objection to the stand taken in the response to the last query and her objection was noted.
12. The COA discussed the compliance status of the various State Associations and the responses proposed to be sent to some of the e-mails / communications received from the State Associations.



13. After some discussion, the COA decided that:

- (i) The name of proposed candidate for the role of Electoral should be recommended to the Independent Supervisory Committee of the BCA for appointment as the new Electoral Officer for the BCA;
- (ii) The advisories and directions issued by the COA should be sent to the Electoral Officers of all the State Associations;
- (iii) Observers to be appointed to observe the elections in the Goa Cricket Association and the Odisha Cricket Association; and
- (iv) The approved draft advisory on the 9+9 rule to be published on the BCCI website.

B. ICC Meeting

1. The COA was informed that the proposed future tours programme is likely to be discussed at the next ICC meeting.
2. The COA noted that this matter can be considered by the elected body of the BCCI, after elections have taken place.

C. Internal Restructuring of a Franchise

1. The COA was informed about the letter received from Delhi Capitals regarding their internal restructuring.
2. The COA took note of the above.

Meeting concluded.



