

**ANNEXURE IV**  
**OFFICE OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER, BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET**  
**IN INDIA (BCCI)**  
**BCCI BY - ELECTIONS 01 MARCH 2025**  
**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

The following are the summary of findings of Electoral Officer in respect of objections filed against Representatives of Eligible Members:

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

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BCCI By-Elections' 2025

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<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>MEMBER ASSOCIATION</b>	<b>SUMMARY OF FINDINGS</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>JAMMU &amp; KASHMIR CRICKET ASSOCIATION (JKCA)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mr. Sanjeev Gupta, has filed Objections vide email dated 17.02.2025 regarding the Nomination of Mr. Mithun Manhas as the Representative of Jammu &amp; Kashmir Cricket Association in the BCCI By-Elections' 2025 on the ground that Mr. Manhas is not a Member of JKCA.</li> <li>2. It is alleged by Mr. Sanjeev Gupta that no Honourable Court of India has appointed Mr. Mithun Manhas in any committee of JKCA and that it is BCCI who has appointed Mr. Manhas into JKCA Sub Committee in June 2021 and that he fails to understand why BCCI is not conducting election in JKCA for last Four (04) Years. That as per the Summary of Findings dated 02.01.2025 in BCCI By-Elections' 2024, the Electoral Officer has vehemently stated that the Representative has</li></ol>

		<p>to be a 'member' of BCCI Member to qualify to be nominated as Representative of a BCCI Member to BCCI General Body Meeting/s and Mr. Mithun Manhas is not a member of JKCA and therefore shall be disqualified.</p> <p>3. It is also alleged by Mr. Gupta that JKCA website dated 17.02.2025 is not displaying JKCA Members and therefore there is an alleged violation of BCCI Rule 3(b)(1)(ix).</p> <p>4. The Copy of Objection was emailed to Mr. Mithun Manhas and JKCA to provide the Factual and Legal position regarding the Objection. Mr. Manhas has submitted Reply by email dated 18.02.2025 through which it is found JKCA is running directly under the supervision of the BCCI committee which was appointed in compliance of the order dated 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021 by the Division Bench of the J&amp;K High Court. That the Sub-Committee is formed by the BCCI for JKCA, comprising of Mr. Manhas, Brig. Anil Gupta (retd.) and Mr Sunil Sethi, pursuant to the direction from the Hon'ble Court.</p> <p>5. It is also submitted by Mr. Manhas that JKCA is a full member of the BCCI and its representation through Sub-Committee members has to be acknowledged in the BCCI for the growth and promotion of the cricket in the J&amp;K and Ladakh. Further, the Complainant has deliberately attached a cropped image of the website so as to mislead the Ld. Electoral Officer to believe the false fact submitted by Him and the names have been clearly reflected over the website of the Sub-Committee members running the affairs of the JKCA.</p>
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		<p>supervision of the JKCA shall be handed over to the newly elected office bearers of the Association. And the Committee after due Deliberations had formed a Sub-Committee vide their e-mail dated 16.06.2021 which comprised of <i>Brig. Anil Gupta; Mr. Mithun Manhas; and Mr. Sunil Sethi.</i></p> <p>From the above excerpt of the Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of J &amp; K as also the information submitted, it is abundantly clear that the BCCI had formed a Sub-Committee of JKCA in order to delegate the responsibility to Run, Administer, Control and Supervise the affairs of JKCA till the Elections are duly Held and an Elected Body of JKCA is set-up. Therefore the Members of the Sub-Committee can be said to have the Roles and Responsibilities equivalent to the Office Bearers of the JKCA till an Elected Body of JKCA is set up. Therefore the allegation of Mr. Gupta regarding Mr. Manhas not being a Member of JKCA is not Legally acceptable.</p> <p>8. It is further to be noted that as per the BCCI Memorandum of Associations and Rules and Regulations (as per judgement dated 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 4235 of 2014 &amp; connected matters);</p> <p>Rule 3 (ii) A reads as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>“Each state shall be represented by a state cricket association duly recognised by the BCCI and such associations shall be Full Members.”</i></p> <p>Rule 3(ii) B reads as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>“The Associations who are the controlling bodies for cricket in the following States shall be the Full Members of the BCCI:</i></p>
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*...11. Jammu & Kashmir”*

From the above, it is concluded that JKCA is a Full Member of BCCI.

Further, as per Rule 4(1), Each Full Member shall have one Vote, to be exercised through its authorised Representative. Therefore, JKCA being the Full Member of BCCI has the right to Vote in the Elections held by BCCI.

9. With regards to the Statement of Mr. Sanjeev Gupta as to why the BCCI has not conducted JKCA Elections till now, it is not appropriate for the Electoral Officer to go into the question of ascertaining the same. The Electoral Officer does not have the Jurisdiction to Examine or Pass an Order regarding holding of JKCA Elections by BCCI.
10. It is pertinent to note that on accessing the website of the JKCA, on the ‘home’ page itself, the details of the Members of the Sub-Committee are given which is clearly stating the name of Mr. Mithun Manhas as the ‘Member Cricket Operations and Development. Therefore, the Objection of Mr. Gupta is not Acceptable.
11. Moreover, going by the Records of the BCCI Elections, JKCA has been regularly participating in the BCCI Elections through its Sub-Committee Members since the Year 2021 after the Judgement was Issued by the Hon’ble High Court of J & K. It is also to be noted that there has not been a single occasion wherein the JKCA’s Representation through its Sub-Committee Members have been challenged in any Court of law. Mr. Gupta has not raised any Objection for the Participation of JKCA Sub-Committee Member in the AGM/SGM’s held by

		<p>BCCI since the year 2021.</p> <p>12. Further, on Verification of the Nomination Application filed on behalf of Jammu &amp; Kashmir Cricket Association nominating Mr. Mithun Manhas as the Representative of JKCA is found to be Complete in all aspects. The Allegations posed by Mr. Sanjeev Gupta are not legally tenable.</p> <p>13. Taking into account the facts stated above, the Objection Filed by Mr. Sanjeev Gupta stands Rejected.</p>
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