

**BEFORE JUSTICE ARUN MISHRA
FORMER JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

**OMBUDSMAN AND ETHICS OFFICER
THE BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET IN INDIA**

**In Re: Complaint dated 31.12.2025 made by Mr. Umesh Patel against
Gujarat Cricket Association sent to the Ombudsman and
Ethics Officer, Board of Control for Cricket in India.**

ORDER

1. The present complaint has been filed before the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer, Board of Control for Cricket in India (“BCCI”), alleging various constitutional irregularities in the functioning of the Gujarat Cricket Association (“GCA”).
2. The complainant alleges violations of, inter alia, Article 38(1) and Article 26(3) of the Constitution / Memorandum of Association, primarily on the ground that certain individuals who are named in the complaint are allegedly continuing as members of various selection committees for periods exceeding five years and, in some cases, ten years.
3. Upon a careful perusal of the complaint, it is evident that the allegations are stated in a general and conclusory manner, without any accompanying factual particulars. The complaint does not specify the selection committees concerned, the precise tenure periods, dates of appointment or cessation, or the manner in which the alleged appointments are in violation of the governing constitutional provisions.



4. Mere bald assertions that certain individuals have served on selection committees beyond the permissible period, without particulars or material, cannot form the basis of an inquiry. This office cannot undertake a roving or fishing inquiry to ascertain facts not pleaded by the complainant.
5. The complaint is, therefore, bereft of essential facts necessary to examine whether any breach of the Constitution or Memorandum of Association has occurred.
6. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed.
7. Ordered accordingly.



(Justice Arun Mishra)

Ombudsman and Ethics Officer, BCCI

Dated:19.01.2026