

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

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

**Complaint No.07/2026**

**In Re: Complaint through email dated 19.01.2026 made by Mr. Piyush Rana against Punjab Cricket Association sent to the Ombudsman-cum-Ethics Officer, Board of Control for Cricket in India.**

**ORDER**

1. The Ombudsman and Ethics Officer, Board of Control for Cricket in India (“BCCI”), has received a representation dated 19 January 2026 from the complainant, Mr. Piyush Rana, seeking pan-India, zone-wise and institution-wise corrective directions in relation to the constitutions and governance frameworks of State Associations, Union Territory Associations and Institutional Members affiliated to the BCCI.
2. The complaint in the form of representation states that by an annexure described as an all-India comparative constitutional analysis, purportedly examines the constitutions of various BCCI-affiliated entities vis-à-vis the Lodha Committee recommendations and the BCCI Constitution. However, it is noted that no annexures have been given along with the representation.
3. The complainant broadly alleges that several State Associations, Union Territory Associations and Institutional Members have not fully aligned their constitutions and governance frameworks with the Lodha Committee reforms and the BCCI Constitution and asserts the existence of systemic governance deficiencies across the country.

4. The grievances raised in the representation are not confined to any specific association, office bearer or identifiable act or omission, but are framed as general, pan-India governance concerns.
5. The complainant has, inter alia, prayed for the following reliefs:
  - i. examination of zone-wise and institution-wise constitutional deviations highlighted in the annexure;
  - ii. issuance of binding and time-bound directions to State and Union Territory Associations to amend their constitutions in conformity with the BCCI Constitution and Lodha Committee reforms;
  - iii. issuance of directions to Institutional Members, including Railways and Services, to disclose and align their internal governance frameworks with BCCI norms; and
  - iv. passing of such further orders as may be deemed fit in the interest of governance of cricket in India.
6. I have considered the representation and the prayers sought therein.
7. The jurisdiction of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer under the BCCI Constitution is adjudicatory in nature and is confined to examination of specific complaints alleging defined acts of misconduct, ethical breach or violation of the BCCI Constitution by identifiable respondents.
8. The reliefs sought in the present representation are general, policy-oriented and supervisory in character, seeking uniform and binding directions across multiple State Associations, Union Territory Associations and Institutional Members.
9. The Ombudsman and Ethics Officer does not exercise regulatory, supervisory or policy-making powers over State Associations or Institutional Members. The authority to frame, amend, enforce or supervise constitutional compliance across affiliated entities vests in the BCCI as an institution, acting through its competent bodies, and not in this office.



10. Further, under Practice Direction 1/2019, only complaints satisfying the prescribed requirements and disclosing specific, pleaded violations are liable to be entertained. Omnibus representations seeking pan-India governance reforms fall outside the scope of adjudication contemplated under the said Practice Directions.

11. Even otherwise, entertaining the present complaint in the form of representation would amount to this office exercising powers not vested in it under the BCCI Constitution, which is impermissible. It is also observed that multiple representations and complaints are being repeatedly addressed to this office by the same complainant, notwithstanding the binding requirements prescribed under Practice Direction 1/2019. Repeated filings which do not comply with the said Practice Directions, including those submitted only by way of email, without affidavits, or seeking reliefs beyond the jurisdiction of this office, impede the effective functioning of the grievance redressal mechanism. The complainant is, therefore, expected to strictly adhere to the binding procedural requirements and jurisdictional limitations while invoking the jurisdiction of this office.

12. In view of the above, the representation dated 19 January 2026 is dismissed, as the reliefs sought therein are beyond the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer, BCCI.

13. The matter is accordingly disposed of.



**Dated: 29.01.2026**

**(Justice Arun Mishra)  
Ombudsman-cum-Ethics Officer, BCCI**