

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

**OMBUDSMAN  
THE BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET IN INDIA**

**REFERENCE NO. 02/2026**

**In the matter of :**

Young Physiques Union ... Complainant

-Versus-

Manipur Cricket Association & Ors. ... Respondents

**ORDER**

1. A complaint dated 12.01.2026 has been received by post in this office on 17.01.2026, Saturday (in Mumbai office) raising grievances in relation to the elections of the Manipur Cricket Association scheduled to be held on 21.01.2026.
2. The complainant alleges irregularities in the decision-making of the Electoral Officer, Manipur Cricket Association, relating to the grant of Full Membership and voting rights to Young Physique Union Cricket, and seeks to question its eligibility to participate in the MNCA General Elections, 2025.
3. The prayers made in the complaint read as under:

“(a) To set aside and quash the decision / Summary of Findings issued by the Electoral Officer, Manipur Cricket Association, whereby the objections of the Complainant were rejected and Young Physique Union Cricket was permitted to participate in the MNCA General Elections, 2025;

(b) To set aside the grant and recognition of Full Membership and voting rights to Young Physique Union Cricket, being illegal,



arbitrary, and in violation of the Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations of the Manipur Cricket Association and the BCCI-mandated governance framework;

(c) To declare that Young Physique Union Cricket is not eligible to be treated as a Full Member nor to exercise electoral rights in MNCA, in view of its date of registration and non-fulfilment of mandatory eligibility conditions;

(d) To direct the Manipur Cricket Association to strictly adhere to its Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations in matters relating to enrolment, upgradation of membership, and conduct of elections;

(e) To issue appropriate consequential directions, including correction of membership records and electoral rolls, so as to ensure transparency, fairness, and integrity in the governance and electoral processes of MNCA;

(f) Pending finalisation of the present complaint, be pleased to direct that the election process of the Manipur Cricket Association shall be conducted subject to the outcome of these proceedings and that no final result shall be acted upon, in order to safeguard the interests of justice and fair governance;

AND

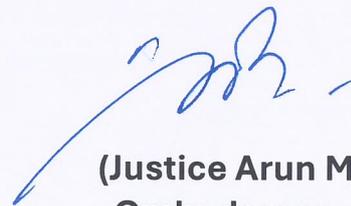
To pass such other and further order(s) as this Hon'ble Ombudsman may deem fit and proper in the interest of justice, equity, and sporting spirit.”

4. At the outset, it is noted that the present complaint is not accompanied by a duly sworn affidavit as mandatorily required under Clause 3 (b) of the Ethics Officer / Ombudsman Practice Directions, 2019. In view of such non-compliance, the complaint is liable to be dismissed in terms of Clause 4 of the said Practice Directions.
5. Even otherwise, the election sought to be interdicted by the complainant has already been conducted on 21.01.2026, prior to the

consideration of the present complaint. The principal prayers seeking restraint of the election process and declaration of results have therefore been rendered infructuous by efflux of time.

6. Further, once the election process has been concluded, any challenge thereto would necessarily require the impleadment of necessary and affected parties, including returned candidates and office bearers, which exercise cannot be undertaken in the present proceedings.
7. The remaining prayers seeking directions to set aside membership, restructure the electoral framework, and issue supervisory or regulatory directions to the State Association are not being considered at the moment for non-compliance of Clause 3 (b) of the Ethics Officer/ Ombudsman Practice Directions, 2019.
8. If the complainant is so advised, the appropriate remedy would be to challenge the election itself before the competent forum on grounds available in law.
9. The complaint is accordingly disposed off.

**Date: 24.01.2026**



**(Justice Arun Mishra)  
Ombudsman, BCCI**

**Annexed:** Copy of Complaint along with its Annexures.