BEFORE JUSTICE D. K. JAIN, FORMER JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA OMBUDSMAN, THE BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET IN INDIA

CASE No. 4/2020

In re:

Complaint received from:

Mr. Sanjeev Gupta

In the matter of:

- 1. Mr. Sourav Ganguly,
 President & Administrator, BCCI
- 2. Mr. Mahim Verma
 Former Vice President & Administrator, BCCI
- 3. Mr. Jay Shah
 Secretary & Administrator, BCCI
- 4. Mr. Jayesh George

 Joint Secretary & Administrator, BCCI
- 5. Mr. Arun Singh Dhumal Treasurer & Administrator, BCCI
- 6. Mr. Prabhtej Bhatia, Councillor, BCCI Apex Council & Administrator, BCCI
- 7. Ms. Alka Rehania Bhardwaj, Councillor, BCCI Apex Council & Administrator, BCCI
- 8. Mr. Aunshuman Gaekwad, Councillor, BCCI Apex Council & Administrator, BCCI
- 9. Ms. Shantha Rangaswamy, Councillor, BCCI Apex Council & Administrator, BCCI

Address for Respondents 1 to 9: The Board of Control for Cricket in India, Cricket Centre, 2nd Floor, Wankhede Stadium, D Road Mumbai- 400020

ORDER 16.12.2020

- 1. A complaint has been received from Mr. Sanjeev Gupta (hereinafter referred to as "the Complainant") under Rule 41(1)(b) of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (for short "the BCCI") against the Office Bearers and certain officials of the BCCI. In the Complaint, the Complainant has sought certain directions to the BCCI Apex Council and the CEO of the BCCI.
- 2. The Ombudsman has examined the Complaint.
- 3. A plain reading of Rule 41(1)(b) of the Rules and Regulations of the BCCI shows that, apart from the fact that the said Rule does not contemplate a direct complaint to the Ombudsman, BCCI, the said Rule also does not confer jurisdiction on the Ombudsman to issue the kind of directions prayed for in the Complaint.
- 4. As such, cognizance of the present Complaint, in the present form, cannot be taken by the Ombudsman of the BCCI under Rule 41(1)(b) of the Rules and Regulations of the BCCI, pressed into service by the Complaint.
- 5. Consequently, the Complaint is rejected.

The Complaint be consigned to the records.

16th December 2020

(JUSTICE D. K. JAIN) OMBUDSMAN, BCCI