

MINUTES OF THE 6th APEX COUNCIL MEETING OF BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET IN INDIA (BCCI) HELD ON FRIDAY, 17th JANUARY 2021 AT 7 P.M. VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

Present:

1. Mr. Sourav Ganguly – Honorary President, Chairperson
2. Mr. Jay Shah – Honorary Secretary
3. Mr. Arun Singh Dhumal – Honorary Treasurer
4. Mr. Jayesh George – Honorary Joint Secretary
5. Mr. Rajeev Shukla – Honorary Vice President
6. Ms. Alka Rehani Bhardwaj – CAG Nominee
7. Ms. Shantha Rangaswamy – ICA Representative (Female)
8. Mr. Aunshuman Gaekwad – ICA Representative (Male)

BCCI staff members were invited to speak on specific Agenda items, as and when required.

1. CHAIRPERSON

Mr. Sourav Ganguly, the Honorary President, BCCI (the “**Chairperson**”) presided over the meeting. He greeted all the members present in the Apex Council and welcomed them to the 6th Apex Council Meeting of the BCCI. He explained that owing to the prevailing Covid-19 situation, the meeting was required to be held via video conferencing.

2. QUORUM

After ascertaining that the requisite quorum for the meeting was present, the meeting was called to order. A leave of absence was given to Mr. Prabhtej Bhatia.

Thereafter, Mr. Jay Shah, the Honorary Secretary, BCCI, welcomed all the members. He also specifically welcomed the new Vice-President, Mr. Rajeev Shukla to the Apex Council. All the members congratulated and welcomed Mr. Shukla to the Apex Council.

With the permission of all the members present, the notice convening the meeting, having already been circulated, was taken on record.

3. ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 4TH AND 5TH APEX COUNCIL MEETINGS.

The Chairperson took up the first item on the agenda which was confirmation of the minutes of the 4th and 5th Apex Council Meetings.

After some deliberation and some corrections, the minutes of the 4th and 5th Apex Council Meetings were confirmed and approved.

4. ITEM 2: DISCUSSION ON DOMESTIC SEASON 2020-21

Honorary Secretary apprised the members about the ongoing Syed Mushtaq Ali tournament and congratulated the operations team for an incident free organization of the event till date.

The members discussed the feasibility of playing either the Ranji Trophy or the Vijay Hazare Trophy or both. Mr. Amin briefed the members and presented the various options for domestic tournament. He also highlighted the challenges and the timelines associated with both the tournaments. The members also discussed about organizing age group tournaments and domestic and international tournament(s) for women cricketers as well.

After some deliberation it was decided that the Office Bearers of BCCI be authorized to decide on the matter considering all the factors including the Covid 19 situation.

5. ITEM 3: DISCUSSION ON TAX SOLUTION FOR ICC T20 MEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP.

Honorary Secretary apprised the members about his discussion with ICC and the discussion on this subject during the AGM held on December 24, 2020. He also briefed the members about the issue of tax solution and that BCCI is making all efforts to get tax solution. He briefed the members about the consequences if tax solution is not achieved. The members noted the same.

6. ITEM 4: DISCUSSION ON THE NCA PROJECT.

The Chairperson apprised the members about the status of the NCA tender process. The Chairperson mentioned that requisite extension has been sought from KIADB for

submission of plans owing to COVID-19 situation. He also mentioned that the tender related documents will be released shortly. The members noted this.

7. ITEM 5: HIRING OF PERSONNEL FOR NCA, BENGALURU AND FOR BCCI HEADQUARTERS AT MUMBAI

Honorary Secretary apprised the members about the process of hiring of personnel at NCA and at BCCI Headquarters. He mentioned that the NCA hiring will be done by Head Coach, NCA.

He mentioned that the process of hiring of GM- Game Development is currently being undertaken and that process should be completed very soon. The members noted the same.

8. ITEM No. 6: DISCUSSION ON MATTERS RELATED TO ICC'S 2023 - 2031 CYCLE.

Honorary Secretary briefed the members about his discussion with ICC and gave the reason to the members about the stand which BCCI is taking regarding the ICC events. He mentioned that the majority of the countries agreed with his suggestion of deciding the FTP and bilateral series before deciding on ICC events. The members noted the same.

9. ITEM No. 7: UPDATE ON BIHAR CRICKET ASSOCIATION

The Chairperson apprised the members of the issue with Bihar Cricket Association. He mentioned that there have been some internal disputes in BCA. He mentioned that owing to such disputes and keeping in mind that cricket in Bihar should not suffer, an observer was sent to decide and finalize the team for the Syed Mushtaq Ali tournament. The members noted the same and decided to adhere to the decisions taken in the previous meeting regarding BCA.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRPERSON MAY CONSIDER NECESSARY INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA

a) Increase of age limit of umpires for Level 1 and Level 2 Tests:

Honorary Treasurer mentioned that they he has received requests that the age limit for appearing for Level 1 umpiring tests be increased to 45 years and for Level 2 to

48 years, to encourage more umpires. This was accepted by all the members and it was decided that the age limit be accordingly revised.

11. VOTE OF THANKS

The Chairperson thanked the Apex Council members and there being no other business, the meeting was terminated.

Handwritten signature and initials in black ink. The signature appears to be 'H. M. J.' with a large loop at the end. Below it are the initials 'H. M. J.' and a checkmark.