

DIRECTIONS ISSUED BY THE COMMITTEE OF ADMINISTRATORS

- A. The order dated 2nd January 2017 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court *inter alia* ordered and directed that:

“A Committee of administrators shall supervise the administration of BCCI through its Chief Executive Officer.

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... the Committee of Administrators shall also ensure that the directions contained in the judgment of this Court dated 18 July 2016 (which accepted the report of the Committee with modifications) are fulfilled and to adopt all necessary and consequential steps for that purpose.

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...Upon the Committee of administrators as nominated by this Court assuming charge, the existing office bearers shall function subject to the supervision and control of the Committee of administrators. The Committee of administrators would have the power to issue all appropriate directions to facilitate due supervision and control”

- B. Thereafter, the order dated 30th January 2017 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court states that:

“... The C.E.O. of B.C.C.I. shall report to the Committee of Administrators and the Administrators shall supervise the management of B.C.C.I.”

- C. In light of the aforesaid orders, it is clear that (i) the Committee of Administrators shall supervise the management and administration of the BCCI through its CEO; (ii) the office bearers shall function subject to the supervision and control of the Committee of Administrators; (iii) the Committee of Administrators will have the power to issue all appropriate directions to facilitate due supervision and control of the functioning of BCCI; and (iv) the CEO shall report to the Committee of Administrators and the Committee of Administrators shall supervise the management of BCCI.
- D. The Committee of Administrators had issued directions dated 6th April 2017 which are currently in force. The Committee of Administrators has observed and taken note of certain difficulties in functioning of BCCI in terms of the said directions dated 6th April 2017. These difficulties include decisions being taken without consulting the Committee of Administrators, delay in providing feedback/ inputs to the Committee of Administrators (when sought on particular issues) and extensive travel being undertaken by office bearers without the Committee of Administrators knowing the purpose of such travel. Therefore, in order to address various difficulties and to better

facilitate the supervision and control of the management and administration of BCCI, the Committee of Administrators is of the view that it is now necessary to issue a fresh set of directions to replace the directions dated 6th April 2017. It is clarified that the directions dated 2nd May 2017 shall continue to remain in force even after issuance of these directions.

Accordingly, with a view to ensuring that the affairs of the BCCI are carried out in accordance with the orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court as well as in the interests of good governance, the Committee of Administrators considers it necessary to issue the following directions in supersession of the directions dated 6th April 2017:

1. The existing office bearers and the CEO shall be bound to act in accordance with the directions of the Committee of Administrators and shall aid, assist and cooperate with the Committee of Administrators so as to enable it to (i) effectively supervise the management and administration of the BCCI through the CEO; (ii) ensure that the directions contained in the Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgment dated 18th July 2016 (**"Judgment"**) are implemented; and (iii) supervise and control the functioning of the office bearers of the BCCI. The existing office bearers and the CEO shall take all necessary steps to ensure compliance and/or give effect to these directions.
2. Except for those communications/ categories of communications which particular office bearers have been separately directed to address only to the Committee of Administrators, all communications between the office bearers and any employees/ retainers/ consultants of the BCCI shall be copied to the CEO and the Committee of Administrators. Any employee/ retainer/ consultant of BCCI who receives a communication from any office bearer and finds that the same is not copied to the CEO and/or the Committee of Administrators, shall immediately forward the same to the CEO and/or the Committee of Administrators, as the case may be.
3. The office bearers and/or their respective Executive Assistants shall not undertake any travel including but not limited to hotel accommodations at BCCI expense without the prior approval of the Committee of Administrators. While seeking such approval, the concerned office bearer shall also communicate the proposed itinerary of travel along with details of the official work/ purpose for such travel. For the avoidance of doubt, it is clarified that the directions contained in this Paragraph 3 shall prevail over any existing travel policy notwithstanding that such travel policy may have earlier been approved by the Committee of Administrators.
4. Henceforth, BCCI shall not bear the expenses of any legal representation/ advice that any office bearer may seek from external legal advisers/ counsel in connection with Civil Appeal No. 4235 of 2014 and connected matters before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

5. The CEO alone shall continue to sign all pleadings, affidavits, applications, etc. in respect of legal proceedings filed by or against the BCCI. The CEO alone shall continue to issue instructions to advocates/ legal advisors in relation to fresh as well as pending legal proceedings under the supervision and control of the Committee of Administrators.
6. All contracts/ tender documents having value of above Rs. 25 lakhs shall be put up by the CEO before the Committee of Administrators for approval. The Acting Secretary shall continue to sign all contracts/ appointment letters on behalf of BCCI. However, if a contract/ appointment letter that has been approved by the COA is not signed by the Acting Secretary within reasonable time not exceeding 5 working days, the Committee of Administrators may direct the CEO to sign such contract/ appointment letter. Once a contract/ appointment letter has been signed by the CEO as per the directions of the Committee of Administrators, the same shall be binding on BCCI.
7. All payments to be made on behalf of the BCCI shall be jointly approved by the Acting Secretary and the CEO. In the event one of them approves a payment and the other does not or fails either to reject or approve such payment within 3 days, the matter shall be placed before the Committee of Administrators for its decision. In any event and notwithstanding the above, prior approval of the Committee of Administrators shall be taken in respect of any payment where the beneficiary is the CEO, Acting President, Acting Secretary, Treasurer or any employee who works exclusively with any of them. However, regular payments of salary/ other remuneration to such employees shall not require the prior approval of the Committee of Administrators.
8. Once a payment is approved and/or a decision is taken as aforesaid, the said payment shall be processed and/or decision implemented by the Joint Secretary and the Treasurer within 3 working days. If a payment is not processed and/or decision is not implemented within 3 working days, the Committee of Administrators may direct the other two signatories, namely Mr. Santosh Rangnekar and Mr. Saba Karim, to process the payment and/or implement the decision instead of the Joint Secretary and the Treasurer.
9. Any powers exercisable by any office bearer under the existing Memorandum and Rules and Regulations of BCCI ("**Existing BCCI Constitution**") shall be exercised only with the prior approval of the Committee of Administrators. As an illustration it may be pointed out that the power of the Acting President to fill up any vacancies under Rule 13(a)(ii) of the Existing BCCI Constitution shall be exercised only with such prior approval as aforesaid.
10. Notice of any meeting of any committee/ sub-committee or the General Body of the BCCI shall be issued only with the prior approval of the Committee of Administrators. While seeking such approval the convener of the relevant committee/

sub-committee and/or the Acting President/ Acting Secretary, as the case may be, shall also provide a draft notice and draft agenda for the proposed meeting as well as any related documents that are circulated and/or intended to be circulated to the persons/ members entitled to attend such meeting. The CEO shall be entitled to be present in any such meeting. All decisions taken during such meeting should be intimated by the Chairman of the meeting to the Committee of Administrators and the CEO in form of draft minutes of meeting as soon as possible after the said meeting. No decisions taken during such meeting shall be acted upon and/or implemented without the prior approval of the Committee of Administrators.

11. All information, correspondence, communications and discussions involving the Committee of Administrators and any employee/ consultant/ retainer/ service provider shall be kept confidential and shall not be disclosed to any person without the express written consent of the Committee of Administrators.
12. In the event there is any difficulty in the implementation or execution of these directions or any other directions that have been or may be issued by the Committee of Administrators, the CEO shall forthwith bring the same to the knowledge of the Committee of Administrators to issue such further directions for implementation as it may consider necessary.

Issued by:

The Supreme Court Appointed Committee of Administrators of the BCCI

Dated: 15th March 2018