CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF PONDICHERRY

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION & RULES

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The Name of the Association shall be **CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF PONDICHERRY** (here in after referred to as the "Association"). The Registered office of the Association shall be located at RS 104/8 & 105/7, Sedarapet Main Road, Pondicherry – 605 101.

II OBJECTS

a. To function in accordance with the provisions of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (Act No. XXI of 1860).

b. To promote the Game of Cricket throughout the Union Territory of Puducherry and its suburbs by organising tournaments, including Inter School, Inter- College, and to inculcate Sportsmanship.

c. To foster and maintain friendly relations and comradeship among the members, promoters & sponsors of the Association.

d. To have as many classes of members with such rights as may be considered commensurate with the 'objects' of the Association.

e. To organize coaching/ training schemes for the benefit of Cricketers.

f. To select teams to represent the Association in tournaments and championships, local or otherwise.

g. To collect funds and whenever necessary borrow with or without security for purpose of the Association

h. To participate in Tournaments / Championships in cricket and conduct tournaments for the same.

i. To engage a person or persons as a professional or amateur player/players to play for the Association in matches / Tournaments / Championships in cricket.

j. To communicate with public authorities and various sports organisations in India and abroad and undertake measures for the promotion of the game and the cricketers.

k. To provide, acquire and maintain suitable places, playgrounds, buildings and clubhouses, stadia and any other property, movable and immovable and to provide all amenities thereon for the promotion of the objects of the Association.

I. To set apart such funds and appoint committees from time to time for the achievement of the objects of the Association, and to utilise the net proceeds thereof towards the implementation of the objects set out herein.





m. To regulate and control the game of cricket, and to maintain discipline amongst players, officials and members.

n. To acquire by all lawful means movable and immovable property on behalf of the Association, and to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any of its property.

o. To contribute to cricket activities conducted by individuals or Associations in conformity with the objects of the Association.

p. To maintain a panel of approved cricket umpires and to do such acts as may be necessary for this purpose, including holding examinations / tests with a view to enable them to quality themselves as first class umpires.

q. To take such action as may be necessary to coordinate the activities of members in relation to the Association and amongst themselves.

r. To do all such acts, deeds, and things as are incidental to or conducive for the attainment of the 'objects' stated above.

The Association shall not be dissolved unless its dissolution is decided upon through a resolution passed at a special general meeting of the Association by a majority of three fourths of the members on the rolls of the Association having powers to vote.

In case of dissolution of the Association, if there shall remain any property whatsoever, after discharging all debts and liabilities if any, it shall be given or transferred to any other institution or institutions having objects similar to those of the Association and not run for profit, as may be decided in and by the General Body of the Association at its meeting. Details of such gift or property to be transferred shall be worked out at the time of dissolution.



For Cricket Association of Pondicherry G.M. Arunkumar President

RULES AND REGULATIONS CHAPTER ONE: SCOPE

1. (A) DEFINITIONS

In these Rules and Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- (a) "ADMINISTRATOR" shall mean and include present and former Presidents, Vice Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurers, Honorary Joint Secretary of the CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF PONDICHERRY ("CAP"), past and present Office Bearers of the CAP and Members affiliated to the Association, a Member of the Apex Council of Association, and any person connected with the Governance and Management of the affairs of the Association or of its Committees.
- (b) "ADDRESS OF THE ASSOCIATION" shall mean registered address of the Association as mentioned in Rule 2.
- (c) "AGENTS' REGISTER" is the register maintained by the CAP under the Regulations for Registration of Players' Agents.
- (d) "APEX COUNCIL" is the principal body of the Association tasked with its governance as set out in Rule 14.
- (e) "AUDITOR" is the auditor of the Association appointed by the General Body in its Annual General Meeting to discharge the functions set out in Rule 34.
- (f) "BCCI" or "BOARD" is the Board of Control for Cricket in India registered under Act XXI of 1960 at Chennai (Madras) on 28th November 1940
- (g) "CEO" is the Chief Executive Officer of the CAP appointed by the Apex Council as set out in Rule 23.
- (h) "Member Club" shall mean an affiliated club with voting rights having a regular constitution situated in the Union Territory of Puducherry, having elected officebearers and submitting every year to the Association a list of its office- bearers.





- (i) "CONFLICT OF INTEREST" refers to situations where an individual associated with the CAP in any capacity acts or omits to act in a manner that brings, or is perceived to bring the interest of the individual in conflict with the interest of the game of cricket and that may give rise to apprehensions of, or actual favouritism, lack of objectivity, bias, benefits (monetary or otherwise) or linkages, as set out in Rule 38.
- (j) "COUNCILLORS" are the members of the Apex Council.
- (k) "CRICKET COMMITTEES" are the Committees as set up in Rule 26 which consist only of former Players and are charged with selection, coaching and evaluation of team performance.
- (I) "CRICKET PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION" refers to the Cricket Players' Association as per the BCCI Constitution.
- (m) "ELECTORAL OFFICER" is the person appointed to conduct, supervise and deal with issues concerning elections as set out in Rule 33.
- (n) "ETHICS OFFICER" is the person appointed to administer the Conflict of Interest principles as set out in Rule 39.
- (o) "EXISTING MEMBER" is an association or other body corporate that was a Member of the Association immediately before the Effective Date.
- (p) "FRANCHISEES" are the various commercial entities who have may entered into franchise agreements with the CAP for participation in the T20 Puducherry Premier League or any Premier League the Association may introduce (whenever)
- (q) "GENERAL BODY" is the supreme body of the CAP which is constituted by its Members.
- (r) "GOVERNING COUNCIL" is the Standing Committee constituted by the Association which shall be in charge of and conduct the T20 Puducherry Premier League or any Premier League the Association may introduce (whenever).





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- (s) "JOINT SECRETARY" is the Honorary Joint Secretary of the CAP as set out in Rule 7(4).
- (t) "JUNIOR TOURNAMENT" shall mean any age group tournaments conducted by the CAP from time to time.
- (u) "MATCH OFFICIAL" includes Umpires, Match Referees, Observers, Statisticians, Ground Staff and Scorers so appointed by the Association from time to time.
- (v) "CAP" or "ASSOCIATION" is the CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF PONDICHERRY registered under The Society Registration Act, 1860 and registered with Registrar of Companies under Reg. No. 178 of 2003, Pondicherry on 11/07/2003
- (w) "MEMBERS" shall mean the members of the Association as enumerated in Rule 3(A).
- (x) "OFFICE BEARER" means the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer.
- (y) "OMBUDSMAN" is the independent grievance redressal authority set up under Rule 40
- (z) "PLAYER" is any Cricketer past or present registered with CAP or any of its Members as a player and shall include any person selected in any squad to represent Puducherry in a First Class Match, ODI tour match, Twenty/20 or Junior Tournament Match in India or Abroad.
- (aa) "PRESIDENT is the Honorary President of the CAP and of the Apex Council as set out in Rule 7(1).
- (bb) "REPRESENTATIVE" of a Member means a person duly nominated as such by respective Member Clubs, Regional Associations & Associate Member Clubs.
- (cc) "RULE" shall refer to any rule or sub-rule in these Rules and Regulations, and "RULES" refer to these Rules and Regulations.
- (dd) "SECRETARY" is the Honorary Secretary of the CAP as set out in Rule 7(3).
- (ee) "T20 Puducherry Premier League" refers to franchise-based Twenty/20 tournament conducted by the CAP
- (ff) "TEAM OFFICIAL" refers to the support staff appointed by the CAP including coaches, managers, physiotherapists, nutritionists, trainers, analysts, counsellors and medics.





- (gg) "TOURNAMENT RULES" means the rules governing the conduct of various domestic tournaments organized by the CAP including the T20 Puducherry Premier League (whenever) and such other tournaments as may be conducted by the CAP from time to time.
- (hh) "TREASURER" is the Treasurer of the CAP as set out in Rule 7(5).
- (ii) "VICE PRESIDENT" is the Vice President of the CAP as set out in Rule 7(2).
- (jj) "YEAR" means financial year commencing from the1st day of April and ending on the 31st day of March of the following year.
- (kk) "Regional Associations" shall mean the Cricket Associations recognized by the Cricket Association of Pondicherry in the specified regions of Karaikkal, Mahe and Yanam districts, having elected office bearers submitting every year annual accounts and list of office bearers.
- (II) "AFFILATION COMMITTEE" is one appointed by Apex Council / General Meeting with specific guidelines to examine the applications for admission as "Associate Member Club" and promote to them as "Member Club."

B. INTERPRETATION

In these Rules, all references to Players, Match Officials and Administrators shall be deemed to include Players, Match Officials and Administrators of the T20 Puducherry Premier League or any other Premier League (whenever conducted) and its Franchisees as well.

C. EFFECTIVE DATE

The EFFECTIVE DATE shall be the date on which these Rules come into force.

2. HEADQUARTERS:

The Headquarters of the Association shall be located at Pudhucherry.





3. MEMBERSHIP AND JURISDICTION OF MEMBERS:

A) Memberships

The Association shall consist of the following classes of members, viz., (a) Patrons, (b) Life Members (c) Member Clubs (d) Regional Associations and (e) Associate Member Clubs.

- a) <u>Patrons :-</u> The Apex Council or the General Body may invite such persons who in its opinion, have rendered good service to the game of cricket to be patrons of the Association, provided that the total number of patrons does not exceed five.
- b) <u>Life Members:</u> The Apex Council or the General Body may admit persons above the age of 19, who in its opinion could be depended upon for preserving the autonomy and integrity of the Association besides attainment of the objects of the Association.

Any individual desirous of becoming a life Member of the Association shall submit an application on the prescribed form. Such applications on being considered and approved by a three-fourths majority of the members of the Apex Council present and voting at any of its meetings, or by a three-fourth majority of the members of the General Body present and voting at any of its meetings, the applicant concerned would be eligible to become a life member. The Apex Council or the General Body as the case may be, may reject any application without assigning any reason, and its decision shall be final and binding on such applicants. Any person whose application has been rejected shall not be entitled to apply again before the lapse of one year.

Life Membership shall be automatically granted to former international cricketers (male and female) hailing from Puducherry.

Persons admitted as a Life member (other than former international cricketers) shall pay an entrance fee of Rs.25,000/- each, after which only the admission shall come into effect. They shall also pay an annual subscription of Rs.100/- on admission, and thereafter on or before 30th of April each year. The total strength of life members (excluding former international cricketers) at any time shall be limited to 15. Life Members are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting of the General Body and seek election to the committee as office-bearers or member of the committee.





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Members (other than former international cricketers) are entitled to transfer their membership to anyone on application in the form prescribed and payment of a fee of Rs.100/-.

c) <u>Member Clubs :-</u> Existing Member Clubs who do not have any arrears and having paid Entrance fees of Rs.25,000/- entitled to field teams. They shall pay an annual subscription of Rs. 100/- on or before 30th April of each year. The total strength of Member Clubs at any time shall be limited to 25.

Secretaries of Member Clubs or persons duly authorized by their respective secretaries are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting of the General Body and seek election to the Apex Council as office bearers or Member. Any Associate Member promoted as Member Club with due recommendations from affiliation committee and approved by General body with three-forth majority entitled to the benefits of Member Club.

- (d) <u>Regional Associations:</u> The Association has taken steps for forming Cricket Associations in the regions of Karaikkal, Mahe and Yanam and accorded membership to them. The Constituent members of those Associations are not eligible for membership of the Cricket Association of Pondicherry. Regional Associations, if any formed by the Association in future, shall pay an entrance fee of Rs.25,000/- each after which only the admission shall come into effect. They shall also pay an Annual subscription of Rs.100/- on admission in SGM/AGM, and thereafter on or before 30th April of each year. Secretaries of these Associations or any one person duly authorized by the secretaries of the respective Associations are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting of the General Body and seek election to the Apex Council, as office bearers or member.
- (e) <u>Associate Member Clubs</u>: Any Club which has actually played matches without conceding a walkover at any stage in the tournaments registered with the Association for a continuous period of not less than three years prior to the date of the application shall be eligible to apply to be enrolled as an Associate Member of the Association.

Grant of associate membership is subject to the application is cleared by affiliation committee and approved in the general body with three-forth majority





Associate Member shall pay an entrance fee of Rs.25,000/- on admission. They shall also pay an annual subscription of Rs. 100/- on admission, and thereafter on or before 30th April of each year.

B. Annual Updates :

All the Members shall, on or before 15th of October of each year, inform and update the Association as the name of their Authorised Representative and Member of their Executive Committees by whatever name called, their respective tenures, the Audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheets to maintain accountability and transparency

4 VOTE AND ACCOUNTS OF TOURNAMENTS

- a. All Life members (including former international cricketers), Member Clubs and Regional Associations shall have one vote. The Member Clubs & Regional Associations shall exercise their vote through their authorised representative. The Life Members (including former international cricketers) shall exercise their vote personally. There shall be no proxy voting.
- b. An Associate Member Clubs shall be entitled to participate in the General Body Meetings but shall not be entitled either to vote or have its representative elected to the Apex Council.
- c. A Member, required to submit the annual or other accounts, balance sheet or statement of expenditure either under these rules or under the Rules of the tournament/match, or under the resolutions or decisions of the Association relating to any grant/subsidy, fails to submit the accounts or statement of expenditure relating to such grant, tournament, match or otherwise, within period stipulated thereunder, shall not be entitled to any further financial grants/subsidy from the Association till the requirement is complied with.

Provided that notwithstanding anything stated above, nothing shall prevent the Apex Council, for good reason, from extending a maximum period of 6 months' time for submitting of accounts and statements beyond the period referred above





CHAPTER TWO: THE GENERAL BODY AND OFFICE BEARERS

AND THEIR POWERS & FUNCTIONS

5. CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION

- The General Body is constituted of Life Members (including former international cricketers), Member Clubs, Regional Associations, and Associate Member Clubs.
- 2) The authorized Representatives of the various Member Clubs & Regional Associations shall cast their votes on behalf of their respective Clubs/ Associations. Life Members (including former international cricketers) shall cast their votes personally. The Associate Members shall have no right to vote.
- All powers of governance, management and decision-making shall vest in the General Body. In addition to the powers already given to the Apex Council, the Governing Council and the CEO under these Rules, the General Body
 may delegate such powers as it deems fit to any of them.
- 4) In addition to, and without prejudice to the generality of powers vested in it, the General Body shall have the power:
 - (a) To collect funds and wherever necessary borrow, with or without security, for purposes of the Association and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such security.
 - (b) To frame the Laws of Cricket in Puducherry and to make alterations, amendments or additions to the Laws of Cricket in Puducherry whenever desirable or necessary.
 - (c) To direct and control the Governing Council, to lend oversight and assistance to the T20 Puducherry Premier League or any other Premier League conducted by the Council and to ensure that the interests of the Association, franchises and the players are protected.
 - (d) To review any decision of the Apex Council or the Governing Council.
 - (e) Generally, to do all such other acts and things as may appear to the General Body to be expedient, convenient and/or conducive to the carrying out of the above functions of the Association.





6. ELECTION & TERM OF OFFICE BEARERS

- (1) The following Office Bearers of the Association shall be elected by the Members of the Association who have voting rights at an Annual General Meeting:
 - (a) The President
 - (b) The Vice-President
 - (c) The Secretary
 - (d) The Joint Secretary
 - (e) The Treasurer
- (2) The Term of office of an Office Bearer of the Association shall be 3 years. Their position shall be Honorary.
- (3) No person shall be an Office Bearer in any state association regardless of post for more than 3 terms in all.
- (4) An Officer Bearer who has held any post for two consecutive terms either in any State Association or in the BCCI (or combination of both) shall not be eligible to contest any further election without completing a cooling off period of three years. In case of an Officer Bearer who has held any post in CAP, the above shall be applicable from the date of affiliation of CAP as Associate Member of BCCI. During the Cooling off period, such an office bearer shall not be a member of the Governing council or of any Committee whatsoever of any State Association or of the BCCI or of CAP. The expression 'office bearer' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in BCCI or any State Association or CAP, as the case may be.
- (5) A person shall be disqualified from being an Office Bearer, a member of the Governing Council or any other Committee or representative to BCCI or similar organisation if he or she:
 - (a) Is not a citizen of India;
 - (b) Has attained the age of 70 years;





- (c) Is declared to be insolvent, or of unsound mind;
- (d) Is a Minister or Government Servant or holds a Public Office ;
- Holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;
- (f) Has been an Office Bearer of CAP from the date of Affiliation of CAP as associate member of BCCI or any other Association for a cumulative period of 9 years or of BCCI for a cumulative period of 9 years;
- (g) Has been charged by a court of law for having committed any criminal offence ie an order framing charges has been passed by a Court of Law having competent jurisdiction

7. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS:

- (1) THE PRESIDENT
 - (a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the General Body and the Apex Council.
 - (b) The President shall be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financial statements of the CAP
 - (c) The President shall also exercise such functions and duties as he may be empowered with by the General Body or the Apex Council.
 - (d) The President shall, in the event of a vacancy or indisposition of an Office Bearer, delegate the functions to another Office Bearer until the vacancy is duly filled up, or the indisposition ceases.
- (2) THE VICE PRESIDENT
 - (a) The Vice President shall officiate in the President's absence when the President is unavailable.
 - (b) The Vice President shall also exercise such functions and duties as he may be empowered with by the General Body or the Apex Council.
- (3) THE SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:

(a) Keep and maintain the minutes of Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the General Body, the Meetings of the Apex Council and of the Committees appointed by the General Body in appropriate books and shall cause them to be properly and correctly recorded and confirmed.





- (b) Be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financials statements of the CAP
- (c) Sign all contracts for and on behalf of the Association and carry on all correspondence in the name of the Association and as otherwise directed by the Apex Council.
- (d) Be in charge of the records of the General Body, the Apex Council, the Governing Council and all Committees, and such properties as may be entrusted to his care by the Association, the Apex Council or the Governing Council as the case may be.
- (e) Convene the Annual General Meeting, the Special General Meeting and the Meetings of the Apex Council, Standing Committees and Governing Council with the concurrence of the President.
- (f) Circulate to all Members of the Association the statement of accounts prepared by the Treasurer.
- (g) Have the power to delegate any work to the Honorary Joint Secretary.

(4) THE JOINT SECRETARY

The Joint Secretary shall:

- (a) Convene and keep minutes of the Committees that may be placed in his charge at the Annual General Meeting or by the Secretary.
- (b) Assist the Secretary in all matters pertaining to the affairs of the Association.
- (5) THE TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

- Receive all subscriptions and donations and the monies payable and / or receivable by the CAP;
- (b) Be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financial statements of the CAP.
- (c) Make payments and incur expenditure out of the funds of the CAP in accordance with the decisions of the CAP, the Apex Council or any Committee appointed by the Association, provided that all transfers or payments must be with the signatures of two elected Office Bearers.
- (d) Keep accounts of all monies received and expended by the CAP, in respect of assets, credits and liabilities of the CAP.





- (e) Prepare statement of accounts.
- (f) Place before the Apex Council:
 - (i) Annual Balance Sheet;
 - (ii) Statement of Accounts of the CAP;
 - (iii) Annual Budget;
- (g) Place before the Annual General Meeting duly audited:
 - (i) Annual Balance Sheet;
 - (ii) Statement of Accounts of the CAP;
- (h) Invest and/or disburse the funds of the CAP, to withdraw any or all of the existing fixed deposits before the date of maturity in accordance with any general or special directions of the General Body or the Apex Council.
- (i) Prepare budgets to be presented at the Annual General Meeting, Special General Meetings and Meetings of the Apex Council.
- (j) Liaise with the Auditor, CEO and the Finance Committee

CHAPTER THREE: MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL BODY

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (1) The Annual General Meeting of the General Body shall be held every year, not later than 30th September at such place and time as the President may fix.
- (2) Elections and Nominations to the Apex Council shall take place every 3 years at the Annual General Meeting.
- (3) The following ordinary business shall be transacted at every Annual General Meeting of the General Body:
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and of any Special General Meeting held during the year.
 - (b) Adoption of the Report of the Secretary for the year under review.
 - (c) Adoption of the Treasurer's Report and the audited accounts for the year under review.
 - (d) Adoption of the Annual Budget.
 - (e) Appointment of Auditor or Auditors for the year and fix their remuneration.
 - (f) Appointment of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer.





- (g) Appointment of the Cricket Committees and Standing Committees as mentioned in Rules 26 and 25 respectively.
- (h) (i) Consideration of the Report and recommendations of the Apex Council, the CEO and the Committees and to propose policy directions to the Apex Council.

(ii) Consideration of the Report and recommendations of the Governing Council and to propose policy directions to the Apex Council.

(iii) Consideration of any amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the CAP, provided no amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the CAP proposed by a Members shall be considered unless the proposals for amendments are received by the Secretary before 31st July.

(iv) Consideration of the Reports of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer and any recommendations made therein.

- (i) Consideration of any motion notice whereof is given by a Member who have a voting rights to the Secretary twenty-one days before the meeting.
 (Such a motion shall be circulated in advance to all members).
- (j) To appoint the CAP's Representative on BCCI Conference or Similar Conference
- (k) (i) Consideration of any other business which the President may consider necessary to be included in the agenda.

(iii) Transaction of any other business of an informal character as may be permitted by the Chairperson.

- (4) The record of the proceedings of the Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings shall, after the approval of the Chairperson of the Meeting be circulated within two months of the Meeting to the Members of the CAP and then entered in the Minutes Book. The minutes shall be duly confirmed after correction, if any, and signed by the Chairperson at the subsequent Annual General Meeting.
- (5) The Secretary shall, at least Twenty One (21) days prior to the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting, forward to each member a notice setting out the agenda of business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting along with:





- (a) Copies of the Minutes of the previous meeting or meetings to be confirmed at the Annual General meeting;
- (b) Copies of audited Statement of Accounts to be adopted and to be passed at the Annual General Meeting;
- (c) Copies of the audited Statement of Accounts of any tour or tours;
- (d) Treasurer's Reports and the Annual Budget;
- (e) Report of the Ombudsman; and
- (f) Copies of all documents and papers having a reference to any item on the Agenda of the General Meeting;
- (6) Any Member desiring to raise any point relating to the Agenda or Accounts at the Annual General Meeting shall give seven days' notice thereof to the Secretary. The Secretary shall circulate such notice to all Members by sending it at least four clear days before the date fixed for the meeting.

9. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- (1) A Special General Meeting of the General Body may be convened by the Secretary:
 - (a) on a directive of the President,
 - (b) on a resolution of the Apex Council, or

(c) on a requisition signed by not less than 10 Members who have voting rights specially stating the business to be transacted at such Meeting.

No business other than the one for which the Special General Meeting is called will be transacted at such meeting.

- (2) In the event of the Secretary failing to convene a Special General Meeting within thirty days of the receipt of a requisition, the requisitionists may themselves convene a Meeting for the purpose specified in the requisition at such place and time as may be decided by the requisitionists.
- (3) The President may at his discretion direct the Secretary to convene a Special General Meeting at shorter notice in which case a notice of at least 10 days shall be given.
- (4) For any Special General Meeting the Secretary shall give Twenty One clear days notice specifying the business to be transacted at that meeting.





(5) In the event of the Secretary failing to convene a Special General Meeting at the direction of the President or on a resolution of the Apex Council within Ten days, the President may convene a meeting under his own signature.

10. QUORUM AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Attendance at General Meetings shall be open to the Secretaries of Member clubs, Regional Associations and Associate Member Clubs or their authorised representatives, Life Members, International cricketers represented BCCI who are hailing from Puducherry and the Office Bearers of CAP. The Office-Bearers, however, shall not have voting rights at General Meetings. The Quorum for a General Meeting shall be 2/3rd the number of members on the rolls of the Association who have voting rights.

11. CHAIRPERSON AT MEETINGS

The President shall preside as Chairperson at the Annual General Meeting or the Special General Meeting of the General Body and in his absence the Vice-President shall preside. In the event of the Vice President also being absent, the Meeting shall elect one amongst them as the Chairperson of the Meeting.

12. VOTING AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS / SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- (1) At the Annual General Meeting / Special General Meeting,
 - a) The Secretaries / authorised representatives of Member Clubs, Regional Associations, Life Members (including former international cricketers) shall have a vote each at the meetings of the General Body. The Associate Member Clubs shall have no right to vote.
 - b) At an Annual General Meeting/ Special General Meeting, a resolution placed before the meeting duly moved and seconded shall be put to vote and shall be decided either on a show of hands or by a secret ballot as the Chairperson may decide.

13. CASTING VOTE OR DRAWING LOTS

Save as provided otherwise by these Rules, questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes and in the event of a tie, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. If the Chairperson of the Meeting declines to exercise his casting vote, the issue shall be decided by drawing lots.





CHAPTER FOUR: GOVERNANCE

14. THE APEX COUNCIL

- (1) There shall be an Apex Council for the CAP which shall be primarily responsible for the governance of the affairs of the Association.
- (2) The Apex Council shall comprise of 9 Councillors of whom 5 shall be the elected Office Bearers as per Rule 6 and the remaining 4 shall be:
 - (a) One member elected among the members who have voting rights.
 - (b) Two, one male and one female, to be nominated by the Cricket Players' Association from amongst those of its members who hail from Puducherry.
 - (c) One to be nominated by Accountant General of the State from among the serving senior functionaries of the office, co-terminus with the nominee's tenure;
- (3) A person shall be disqualified from being a Councillor if he or she:
 - i. Is not a citizen of India;
 - ii. Has attained the age of 70 years;
 - iii. Is declared to be insolvent, or of unsound mind;
 - iv. Is a Minister or a government servant or holds public office [except for the nominee under Rule 14(2)(c)];
 - V. Holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;
 - vi. Has been an Office Bearer of the CAP for a cumulative period of 9 years after the date of affiliation of CAP as Associate Member of BCCI or an office bearer of any other state association for a cumulative period of 9 years or office bearer of the BCCI for a cumulative period of 9 years;
 - vii. Has been charged by a Court of Law for having committed any criminal offence ie an order framing charges has been passed by court of law having competent jurisdiction
 viii. Holding office in any Political parties





(4) Each of the elected Councillors shall have a term of 3 years in office, subject to a maximum of 3 Terms on the Apex Council. A councillor who has held any post for two consecutive terms either in a State Association or in BCCI (or combination of both) shall not be eligible to contest any further election without completing a cooling off period of three years. During the cooling off period, such a councillor shall not be a member of Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of CAP or the BCCI or of any other State Association. The expression "Councillor" should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in CAP or in BCCI or in any other state association as the case may be.

- (5) No individual, including one filling up a vacancy under Sub-Rule (9) below shall be a Councillor for more than 9 years. In the event of a Councillor completing 9 years before the expiry of his term, he shall cease to hold office on completion of 9 years.
- (6) No nominated Councillor shall have more than one term of 3 years.
- (7) Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in these Rules, a former President of the CAP shall not be entitled to be elected or nominated to the Apex Council in any capacity except for a second and final term as President, subject to sub-Rules (4) and (5) above.
- (8) No Councillor, once elected, shall hold any office in any other Association/s or BCCI. The Members shall take steps to fill up the vacancy so created immediately.
- (9) Any vacancy in the Apex Council due to death, resignation, insolvency, unsoundness of mind, nomination to the BCCI or other disqualification shall be filled up for the remaining period:
 - a. In the case of an elected Councillor, by elections at a Special General Body meeting of the CAP convened by the Secretary for that purpose within 45 days;
 - In the case of a nominated Councillor, in the same manner as prescribed for the respective nominee in Rule 14(2) above;
- (10) For the purposes of the Societies Registration Act, the governing body of the CAP shall be the Apex Council.





15. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE APEX COUNCIL

- (1) The affairs of the Association shall be governed by the Apex Council and its framework of governance shall:
 - i. Enable strategic guidance of the entity;
 - ii. Ensure efficient monitoring of management;
 - iii. Ensure the performance of the respective roles, responsibilities and powers of the CEO, Managers, Cricket Committees and Standing Committees, except the Governing Council
 - iv. Ensure a distribution and balance of authority so that no single individual has unfettered powers;
- (2) The Apex Council shall have all the powers of the General Body and authority and discretion to do all acts and things except such acts as by these rules are expressly directed or required to be done by the General Body. Exercise of such powers, authorities and discretion shall be subject to the control and regulation of the General Body. No regulation shall retrospectively invalidate any act of the Apex Council which was otherwise valid.
- (3) The Apex Council shall exercise superintendence over the CEO, the Cricket Committees and the Standing Committees in the discharge of their duties generally, and in particular, in accordance with any general or special direction of the General Body, except for the Governing Council of the T20 Puducherry Premier League whenever which is directly accountable to the General Body.
- (4) In addition to and without prejudice to the generality of powers conferred directly or by necessary implication under these Rules and regulations and the Memorandum of Association, the Apex Council shall exercise the powers and perform the duties hereafter mentioned:
 - a. To control, permit and regulate all aspects regarding visits of invitee teams in area controlled by CAP, visits of teams within India and outside India and to settle terms on which such visits shall be conducted





- b. To lay down conditions on which Players shall take part in any tournament and by which such players should be governed, including terms of payment of such Players.
- c. To control, expand and regulate the finances of CAP
- d. To institute or defend any action or proceedings for or against the CAP or against any Office-Bearer or employee of the CAP.
- e. To mediate in regard to issues between Members, failing resolution of which a reference may be made the Ombudsman;
- f. To interact and consult with the Cricket Players' Association regarding representations made on their behalf.
- g. To purchase, sell and/or mortgage, exchange and/or otherwise dispose of immovable property wherever situated, in order to promote the objects of the CAP.
- h. To collect funds and whenever necessary borrow not exceeding 25% of the General Fund with or without security for purposes of the Association and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such security.
- i. To fill up, till the following Annual General Meeting, any vacancy occurring of a member of a Committee by reason of death or being adjudged insolvent or being of unsound mind or being convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude or by resignation or by any other disqualification.
- j. To frame rules and lay down conditions including those of travel, accommodation and allowances under which Puducherry Players shall take part in cricket tournaments/matches or Exhibition, Festival and Charity matches organized by the CAP
- k. To frame rules regarding the appointment, service conditions and disciplinary action concerning employees and officers of the CAP.
- I. To make Rules for various tournaments and exhibition matches.
- m. To frame, in consultation with the CEO, rules for the appointment of Managers, Secretaries, Administrative Officers, Peons and other service personnel and staff and for payment to them and other persons in return for their services rendered to the CAP, salaries, wages, gratuities, pensions, honorariums, compensations, any ex-gratia





payment and/or provident fund and to regulate discipline by suspending, fining, removing or dismissing such employees

- n. To make rules generally for the management of the affairs of the CAP.
- o. To start or sponsor and/or to subscribe to funds or stage a match for the benefit of cricketers or persons who may have rendered service to the game of cricket or for their families or to donate for the development or promotion of the game to be regulated by rules framed in this regard from time to time.
- p. To appoint one of its members to represent the Association in BCCI and/or in any other Body or Institution or Committee and / or to attend meetings
- q. To either on its own, of through its delegate, entertain, hear and decide administrative appeals by employees or other directly affected parties against the orders of the CEO or the Cricket Committees as the case may be.
- r. To carry out object of the Association specified in the Memorandum of Association.
- s. To subscribe to funds for the benefit of cricketers who may have rendered services to the game of cricket and for their families or to donate to a sporting cause or institution or to a Fund sponsored by BCCI or by State Government or by Central Government a sum as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time. The Apex Council may decide the quantum of donation either from its general fund or from the Benevolent fund.
- t. To maintain a library of books and periodicals on Sports and Cricket in particular and to start journal or journals and make donations to the library not exceeding Rs.1,00,000/- in any one year
- u. To make, repeal, amend or add to all necessary Regulations and Bye-Laws not inconsistent with these rules. Such Regulations and Bye-Laws shall remain to force until all or any of them are altered or repeated at a General Meeting.
- v. To prohibit any act or practice by any members or by cricketer which in the opinion of the Committee is detrimental to the interest of the game





- w. To fix rates for sating accommodation for witnessing cricket matches and if the Apex Council considers desirable to allot seats to members club
- x. To execute, sign, seal, deliver or cause to be executed signed, sealed and delivered all such agreements, deeds, documents and assurance as may be necessary to carry out the objects of the Association
- y. Generally, to do all such other acts and things which are delegated to it by the Association and all other functions to be expedient, convenient and/or conducive to the carrying out of the above functions of the Apex Council.

Provided that the exercise of powers under Clauses (j), (k), (l, (m) and (n) shall be subject to ratification by the Association at its next meeting, failing which the rules shall lapse.

- (5) The Apex Council shall meet at least once in three months at such time and place and shall conduct proceedings in such manner as it may from time to time decide.
- (6) A Special Meeting of the Apex Council may be convened at any time by the President and shall be convened on a requisition to that effect being made in writing by not less than three Councillors. Any such requisition shall express the object of the meeting proposed to be called and shall be sent to the Secretary.
- (7) Minimum Seven days clear notice of the Meeting of the Apex Council together with the Agenda shall be given to the Councillors. For a Special Meeting of the Apex Council convened for the purposes stated in Sub-Rule (5) above, Seven days' clear notice shall be given. An Emergent meeting of the Apex Council may be convened within Two days' notice.
- (8) Five members of the Apex Council shall form a quorum for its meetings. The President or in his absence a member elected by those present at the meeting shall be the Chairperson. In the event of a tie, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.
- (9) A resolution by circulation by all members of the Apex Council shall be as valid and effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Apex Council. Such a resolution shall be ratified at the next meeting of the Apex Council.
- (10) The Secretary shall keep the minutes of every Meeting in a book which shall be signed by the Chairperson when approved.





16. CAP JURISDICTION OVER PLAYERS, MATCH OFFICIALS & TEAM OFFICIALS OF MEMBERS

The CAP shall have concurrent jurisdiction and control over Players, Match Officials and Team Officials within the jurisdiction of Association. Such individuals participating in cricket under the aegis of Association shall be deemed ipso facto to submit to the jurisdiction of the CAP.

17. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS

The Apex Council shall have the power to enquire into the conduct of any Player within its jurisdiction and may take such disciplinary action against the Player as the Apex Council may deem fit, which decision shall be final.

18. ENQUIRY INTO CONDUCT OF PLAYERS, MATCH OFFICIALS, ADMINISTRATORS, ETC.

In the event of the CAP enquiring into the conduct of a Player, Match Official, Administrator, etc., the CAP shall proceed in the manner prescribed in Rule 41.

CHAPTER FIVE: MANAGEMENT

19. ADMINISTRATION OF THE CAP

- (1) Puducherry shall be the administrative headquarters where the office of the CAP shall be permanently situated.
- (2) The day-to-day management of the CAP shall be conducted by professionals in both cricketing and non-cricketing matters.
- (3) The Governing Council of the T20 Puducherry Premier League or any League by whatever name called shall be accountable directly to the General Body and not to the CEO or the Apex Council.

20. NON-CRICKETING MATTERS

- (1) The day to day management of non-cricketing matters including operations, technical, human resources, finance and media shall be conducted by the CEO under the supervision of the Apex Council aided by the advice of the Standing Committees as set out in Rule 24.
 - The CEO shall be assisted by Managers as may be appointed under Rule 23.



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21. CRICKETING MATTERS

- (1) The management of cricketing matters such as selections, coaching and evaluation of team performance shall be exclusively handled by the Cricket Committees comprising only of Players as set out in Rule 26.
- (2) The management, evaluation and selection of umpires shall be done by the Umpires Committee comprising only of Umpires as set out in Rule 27.
- (3) The reports of the Cricket and Umpires Committees shall be sent to the CEO for being forwarded to the Apex Council, but the CEO shall not in any way be involved in the preparation, approval or amendment of the same.

22. EFFICIENCY IN FUNCTIONING

- (1) The bankers, lawyers and others offering professional services to the CAP shall be appointed in a fair and transparent manner, and may be changed from time to time, as the CAP may deem expedient.
- (2) The bank account of the CAP shall be operated by 2 authorised signatories from the list of authorised signatories designated by the Apex Council
- (3) The CEO and the Cricket & Umpires Committees shall function independently in their respective domains without any interference or approval from each other.

23. THE CEO

- (1) The day-to-day management of the affairs of the CAP shall vest in a full time CEO to be appointed by the Apex Council, who shall be a management professional with management experience of at least 5 years as the Head of Operations or Directors in any Company whose annual turnover more than Rs.200 crores (or) CEO / MD of a company with a turnover of at least Rs. 100 crores p.a
- (2) The CEO shall be assisted by not more than 6 full-time professionals (Managers) who shall be appointed by the Apex Council in consultation with the CEO essentially to govern the streams of finance, technical, infrastructure, law, media and human resources. The CEO may however realign or reallot these streams as he deems fit.





- (3) The eligibility criteria for the CEO and Managers shall be laid down by the Apex Council keeping in mind the following guidelines:
 - a. Knowledge and familiarity with cricket or other sports;
 - b. Understanding of financial position and fiscal direction of the CAP;
 - c. Knowledge of operations of cricket administration and overall policy;
 - d. Clarity on role, division of responsibilities and hierarchy;
 - Familiarity with regulatory and legal responsibilities as well as attendant risks;
- (4) There shall be an appropriate induction process laid down by the Apex Council for the CEO and the Managers, which shall include a fair and transparent process of appointment.

24. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CEO

The CEO shall have the following functions on behalf of the CAP:

- To implement all the Rules and Regulations made by the Governing Body and the Apex Council in regard to non-cricketing matters;
- (2) To issue guidelines in respect of travel, accommodation, allowances, etc., to be paid to players, support staff and officials participating in matches, other than international matches;
- (3) To lease and manage immovable property of the CAP wherever situated, in order to promote the objects of the CAP.
- (4) To lay down parameters for the laying of grounds for playing the game and to provide pavilion, canteen and other conveniences and amenities in connection therewith.
- (5) To appoint Team Officials for the Puducherry teams which shall compulsorily include qualified coaches, managers, physiotherapists, nutritionists, trainers, analysts, counsellors and medics. However, the Head Coach of each of the Puducherry Teams shall be appointed by the Cricket Advisory/Improvement Committee referred to in Rule 26(2)(A)(ii) below
- (6) To secure Players' welfare to ensure that the logistics manager will arrange for accommodation and travel, to ensure that tickets given to Players travelling for matches will be on par with those given to the Members, and to also ensure that no expenditures towards the game (baggage handling, injury related, etc.) will be undertaken by the Player, failing which such expenses will be reimbursed to the Player within 30 working days of the requisition being made. Also, to process





requests made by Players to make arrangements for the accommodation and travel of their respective wives/ partners/ family members, wherever permitted.

- (7) To ensure that all measures are adopted to eliminate any form of racial, communal, casteist or other hatred from the game, with stringent action taken against the offenders including the initiation of criminal proceedings.
- (8) To start and maintain a library of books, periodicals, DVDs and other databases on Sports in general and Cricket in particular, and to publish journals, books and other material as well as the official website of the CAP.
- (9) To produce by itself the Cricket content for telecast of cricket matches and/or ceremonies by hiring or owning equipment and hiring necessary crew, technicians, etc.
- (10) To publicize the stadium capacity of all stadia across the country with compulsory seat numbers, to provide transparent online and offline ticket booking services with reasonably priced tickets and maximize the access of the public to the games.
- (11) To provide at stadiums, wholesome and hygienic food and beverages at affordable rates, clean and hygienic restrooms for all genders and for the differently-abled, adequate fire and emergency entries and corridors, sufficient access avenues and wheelchairs for the differently-abled, proper signage, parking and transport facilities as well as efficient security systems.
- (12) To arrange and organise Cricket tournaments / matches among member clubs, non – members, exhibition matches, combining member clubs, Associate member clubs and/ or non members / clubs, interstate, inter district, combined districts, inter collegiate, inter school, inter corporate and other tournaments, league, league cum knock-out or non-league basis.
- (13) To frame guidelines generally for the convenience and ease of day-to-day management of affairs of the CAP.
- (14) To prescribe guidelines to lay out or convert any ground into high quality turf wickets at all levels in all areas of the under the control of CAP and to provide Pavilions, Canteens, Public Conveniences and other amenities with disabled access and suitable signage, especially to involve more Indians in the game of cricket and to encourage participation of all sections of society.
- (15) To assist the Cricket Committees and facilitate the implementation of their tasks and recommendations.





- (16) To collate monthly reports concerning the functioning of the various Committees, to create action plans in advance and upload the same on the website of the CAP.
- (17) To create a database of all cricketers at all levels, maintain records and statistics, track performances and certify age and identity of participants.
- (18) To take steps to create world class infrastructure at all levels in all areas across the country. To coordinate with State associations, to conduct tournaments, to provide better access to the public, with particular reference to women and the disabled.
- (19) To put in place mechanisms to encourage Puducherry cricketers to play internationally and hone their skills so that a wider talent pool is available to represent the country.
- (20) To enter transparently into contracts with third parties and vendors for the purposes of the various Committees of the CAP, and to ensure that in all contracts for television and media rights, the interests of the public remain uncompromised, and full, unhindered broadcasts of all deliveries and their replays are shown with the screen offering a full and complete view without advertisement banners or margins, and to restrict commercial time only to the refreshment and other team breaks during and between innings.
- (21) To report to the Apex Council every quarter or as often as required by the Apex Council on the functioning of the management and the progress made in developing cricket in India.
- (22) To consider the reports of the Auditor, to verify whether Members are meeting their objectives and to assess whether cricket is being suitably developed and promoted across the country.
- (23) To consider all applications for financial aid or any other benevolence to cricketers, Umpires and administrators as per the rules framed by the General Body in this behalf from time to time and recommend the same to the Apex Council for their approval.
- (24) To examine all the expenditure exceeding the Budget and to control such outlays as are required for the proper administration of the CAP.
- (25) To advise the CAP regarding investments.
- (26) To process requests made for increase in all types of allowances, subventions/subsidies to be paid to the Associations, tariff for Coaching Camps, Coaching Subsidies to the Associations, allowance to the players for matches of





different Trophies and when playing against foreign sides, both at home and away and to recommend the same to the Apex Council.

(27) To do all acts and things which are delegated by the Association and Apex Council to him, and all other functions as are necessary and expedient to carry out the objects of the CAP as aforesaid.

25. THE STANDING COMMITTEES: -

- (1) The Standing Committee are the Committees that provide guidance and advice on behalf of the members to the CEO
- (2) The Standing Committees are
 - A) The Tournament Committee:
 - (i) The Apex Council shall form a Tournament Committee consisting of five members at Annual General Meeting.
 - (ii) The Committee shall advice the CEO:
 - a. To supervise all the sports relating activities within the Association
 - b. To formulate the rules under which tournaments are to be conducted and played
 - c. To arrange and organise Cricket tournaments / matches among member clubs, non – members, exhibition matches, combining member clubs, Associate member clubs and/ or non members/ clubs, interstate, inter district, combined districts, inter collegiate, inter school, inter corporate and other tournaments, league, league cum knock-out or non-league basis.
 - d. About the time and dates on which tournaments to be conducted
 - e. To display list of approved tournaments and calendar thereof on the website
 - (iii) The term of Tournament Committee will be a minimum of one year, which may be extended to a maximum term of two years at Annual General Meeting.

B) The Tour, Fixtures & Technical Committee:

(i) The Apex Council shall form a Tour, Fixture & Technical Committee consisting of five members at Annual General Meeting. Atleast three of these five ought to have played a minimum of 25 First Class Games.





- (ii) The Committee shall, subject to any direction of the CAP, advice the CEO:
 - a. Making of draws and fixing of dates and venues in respect of tournaments conducted by CAP
 - b. to fix charges for Grounds allotted for tournaments
 - c. to display the list of centers / grounds allotted for tournaments
 - d. Considering the laws of the game and amendments thereto, experimental laws, technical matters that may be referred to it by the General Body and maters regarding the Laws of the game to be discussed at the BCCI
- (iii) The term of The Tour, Fixtures & Technical Committee will be a minimum of one year, which may be extended to a maximum term of two years at Annual General Meeting.

26. THE CRICKET COMMITTEES:-

- (1) The Cricket Committees are the Committees comprised exclusively of former Players who are tasked with the Selection, Coaching and Evaluation of Team Performances.
- (2) The Cricket Committees are :
 - A) The Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee:
 - (i) Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee shall consist of THREE reputed former International / 1st Class Cricketers identified by the CAP at Annual General Meeting.
 - (ii) Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee shall
 - (a) appoint the Men's Selection Committee
 - (b) appoint Coaches & other support staff including video analyst for both men and women of the Puducherry Teams
 - (c) appoint CAP's Cricket Academy Director and Asst. Director for a minimum period of one year subject to extension of 3 years.
 - (d) advise the CAP on pertinent issues in domestic cricket
 - (e) advise the CAP on issues not covered by the scope of any of the other Committees
 - (f) report their recommendations to the Apex Council





B) The Men's Selection Committee:

- (i) The Men's Selection Committee shall consist of FIVE persons to be appointed by a Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee subject to the criteria mentioned herein below.
- (ii) Every member of the Men's Selection Committee should have been an International cricketer or played Thirty First Class Matches. Every Member of the Men's Selection Committee should have retired from the game atleast five years previously. The Senior most player among the members shall be appointed as a Chairperson.
- (iii) The Men's Selection Committee shall appoint a Captain for the team in each format, who shall be an ex-Officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event of there being an equality of votes for the appointment of a Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the section of the players, the Captain's wishes in that regard shall prevail.

C) The Junior Cricket Committee:

- (i) The CAP shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a FIVE member Junior Cricket Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time.
- (ii) Only former Players who have played a minimum of 25 First Class games shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 5 years previously. The senior most amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.
- (iii) The Junior Cricket Committee shall:
 - a. Select all age group teams upto and including under-22/23 years for the purpose of coaching camps or for playing against local or foreign teams within India or abroad in any format of the game.
 - b. Appoint a Captain for the team in each format, who shall be an ex-Officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event of there being an equality of votes for the appointment of a Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the selection of the players, the Captain's wishes in that regard shall prevail. On an overseas tour, the





Cricket Manager/Coach, Captain and Vice-Captain shall constitute the Selection Committee. The Administrative Manager shall convene the meeting and keep a record of the proceedings.

- c. Vet and select Coaches and Support Staff (physiotherapists, trainers, therapists, analysts and medics) for the respective teams, as well as providing evaluation reports of the respective team performances to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis.
- d. Organize and conduct junior tournaments of the CAP;
- e. Organize Domestic tours as well as foreign tours of Junior Team;
- f. Decide any dispute in regard to junior tournaments;
- g. Inculcate proper ethics in the youth, particularly through interactions with senior and former Players on issues such as drugs, betting, match-fixing, etc.

D) The Women's Selection Committee:

- (i) Women's selection committee shall select women state team across all age groups for representations for domestic tournaments for all formats of the game. This committee shall also be responsible for vetting and selecting Coaches and support staff (physiotherapists, trainers, therapists, analysts and medics) for the respective teams, as well as providing evaluation reports of the respective team performances to the Apex council on a monthly basis.
- (ii) The CAP shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a FIVE member Selection Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time
- (iii) Out of FIVE members, THREE shall be only former players who have represented the 25 Women's 1st class matches, provided that they have retired from the game at least 5 years previously, shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee. The senior most players amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.
- (iv) The Women's Selection Committee shall appoint a Captain for the team in each format, who shall be an ex-Officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event of there being an equality of





votes for the appointment of a Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the selection of the players, the Captain's wishes in that regards shall prevail.

E) The Women's Cricket Committee:

- (i) The CAP shall at Annual General Meeting appoint FIVE member Women's Cricket Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time.
- (ii) Only former players who have played atleast First Class Cricket shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee. The senior most player amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.

(iii) The Committee shall :

- a. Draw up programmes of coaching for Domestic tournaments, Regional tournaments and national tournaments.
- b. Plan and conduct Women's Junior and Senior domestic tournaments.
- c. Organize tours within India or foreign countries
- d. Decide any dispute in regard to Women's Tournaments.
- e. Generally, have control over Women's Cricket activities, outside of those covered by the Women's Selection Committee.

F) The Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee

- (i) The CAP shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a THREE member Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time.
- (ii) Only former Differently-abled Players who have represented the country in any format of the game shall be eligible to appointed to this Committee. It is preferable that different categories of impairment (visual, physical, etc.) be represented among the members of the Committee. The Senior most among members of the players shall be the Chairperson.
- (iii) The Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee shall, in selection with the Cricket Talent Committee select the Domestic Team across all age groups for representation in Tests, One Day Internationals, Twenty/20 and any other format. In addition, this Committee shall also propose to the CEO the best practices to be inculcated including coaching, counselling and special equipment. This





- Committee shall also endeavour to bring the various existing cricket associations for various types of impairment under the common umbrella of the CAP and evolve training programmes and raise awareness.
- (iv) This Committee shall appoint a Captain for the team in each format, who shall be an ex-Officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event of there being an equality of votes for the appointment of a Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the selection of the players, the Captain's wishes in that regard shall prevail. On a domestic or an overseas tour, the Cricket Manager/Coach, Captain and Vice-Captain shall constitute the Selection Committee. The Administrative Manager shall convene the meeting and keep a record of the proceedings.

G) The Cricket Talent Committee

(i) The CAP shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a THREE member Cricket Talent Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time. Only former Players who have played at least 20 First Class games and have the highest level of coaching certification shall be eligible to appointed to this Committee. The senior most among the Players shall be the Chairperson.

(ii) This Committee shall:

- a) Be responsible for scouting for talent in men, junior, women and disabled cricket.
- b) Organize the framework within which the Indoor Cricket Academies will be established and perform.
- c) Create the programmes and coaching centers for coaching at regional and national levels;
- d) Improve infrastructure in all areas of controlled by Association;
- e) Make provisions for making the game of cricket accessible to the general public by creating turf wickets, pay-and-play facilities and converting existing fields and grounds into high quality pitches;
- f) Encourage the youth to take up cricket by setting up promotional camps and other avenues of engagement with the game;
- Provide evaluation reports of the targets set and achieved and the details of its programmes to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis;





- (3) No person who has been a member of a Cricket Committee for a total of 5 years shall be eligible to be a member of a Cricket Committee.
- (4) No person who has been a member of a Cricket Committee shall write, comment or publicize any discussions or decisions of the Selections made except where so authorized by the Association or the Apex Council. Any violation of this confidentiality provision will invite removal and substitution by the Apex Council.
- (5) The Chairpersons of the respective Cricket Committees shall submit a quarterly report to the CEO which shall then be forwarded by him to the Apex Council for assessment and action, if any
- (6) The Apex Council is empowered to add any further Cricket Committees as may be required, particularly to cater to weaker sections of society.

27. THE UMPIRES COMMITTEE

- (1) The Umpires Committee shall consist of THREE persons appointed by the Association at the Annual General Meeting, each of whom shall have been a former International umpire from India. In the event of such a person not being available, any umpire who has officiated in at least 10 First Class matches shall be eligible to be appointed. No person may be a member of this Committee for more than 5 years. The senior most umpire shall be the Chairperson of the Committee.
- (2) The function of the Umpires Committee shall be to standardize umpiring throughout Puducherry and to draw up and maintain a panel of Umpires to officiate matches in Puducherry and classify them into Elite Panel and Normal Panel according to the merits of the Umpires (subject to reclassification), as per criteria worked out by the Committee. The Committee shall hold examinations from time to time for this purpose.
- (3) The Committee shall appoint umpires for all matches played in Puducherry and shall assist Members in the formation of the panels of Umpires in their respective areas. The Committee shall endeavour to promote umpiring by conducting camps and programmes.
- (4) The Committee shall draw a format to obtain confidential reports from captains on umpires, match referees or any other designated persons to assess the merits / demerits of the Umpires.





(5) The Committee may hold, organize and arrange seminars and conventions of umpires to discuss the laws of the game, experimental rules and suggestions of BCCI / ICC in regard to amendments, alterations and additions to the laws of the game.

28. GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR T20 PUDUCHERRY PREMIER LEAGUE:

- (1) The Governing Council for T20 Puducherry Premier League shall consist of SEVEN Members who shall be inducted at every Annual General Body Meeting of the Association. The term of the members of the Governing Council (Other than the Secretary, Treasurer, Representative of Account General of the State and CEO) shall be one year.
- (2) The composition of Governing Council shall be as follows:
 - i) Four representatives of General Body of which two shall be the Secretary and Treasurer, and two others to be elected by the General Body
 - ii) One representatives of the Cricket Players' Association from amongst those
 - of its members who hail from Puducherry (Other than the representatives on the Apex Council)
 - iii) The Councillor who is the nominee of Account General of the State
 - iv) The CEO of the CAP
- (3) One of the two elected Member representatives shall be the Chairperson of the Governing Council
- (4) All decisions relating to T20 Puducherry Premier League or any other Premier League would be taken by the Governing Council by majority and in case of equality of votes the Chairperson shall have a casting vote
- (5) The Governing Council shall maintain a separate Bank Account which shall be operated by two authorised signatories from out of the list of authorised signatories designated by the Governing Council from amongst the professional management
- (6) The Governing Council shall at the following Meeting of General Body, submit the report along with all decisions taken by it.
- (7) All the disqualifications which are applicable to the Apex Council shall also apply to members of the Governing Council.




29. INADVERTENT OMMISISON TO GIVE NOTICE OF MEETING

Inadvertent omission to give notice of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Apex Council or of any of the Committees to any member entitled thereto or the non receipt thereof by such member shall not invalidate the proceedings of such meetings.

30. PERMISSION TO CONDUCT TOURNAMENTS

- (1) No member Clubs or Associate Member Clubs or Regional Associations affiliated to CAP shall conduct or organize any tournament or any matches in which players/teams from the region within the jurisdiction of the CAP are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the CAP.
- (2) No member clubs or Associate Member Clubs or Regional Associations affiliated to CAP shall conduct or organize any tournament or any matches in which players/teams from the region outside the jurisdiction of the CAP are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the BCCI.
- (3) Permission for conducting or organizing any tournament or match/matches will be accorded only to the members of the CAP and will be in accordance with the rules framed by the BCCI and / or CAP in this regard from time to time.
- (4) No Member Club or Associate Member Club or Regional Associations affiliated to CAP shall conduct or organize any international Tournament or International match/matches in which foreign players/teams are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the BCCI. Permission for conducting or organizing any International Tournaments or International match/matches will only be accorded to the Members of the CAP on special occasions.
- (5) Members desirous of undertaking tours abroad or inviting foreign teams shall obtain the previous permission of the BCCI, which may be granted in accordance with the Rules framed by the BCCI / CAP.





31. BAN ON PARTICIPATION IN UNAPPROVED TOURNAMENTS

- (1) No Member shall participate or extend help of any kind to an unapproved Tournament.
- (2) No Player, Umpire, Scorer, Official or other person associated with the CAP shall participate in any unapproved tournament.
- (3) The Apex Council shall take appropriate action including suspension and stoppage of financial benefits and any other action against individuals / Members contravening the above.

CHAPTER SIX: ELECTIONS

32. PROCEDURE FOR ELECTIONS

The General Body shall from time to time frame rules of procedure for the elections. Any amendments to the procedure adopted shall be made at least 3 months prior to the elections.

33. THE ELECTORAL OFFICER

- At least four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting at which an election is to be held, the Apex Council shall appoint an Electoral Officer, who shall be a former Election Commissioner of India or a former state election commissioner. Until the Apex council is formed, the President is authorised to appoint the Electoral Officer.
- 2) The Electoral Officer shall oversee and supervise the entire election process including scrutiny of the electoral rolls for Councillors, which shall include all nominations and candidatures being subject to his scrutiny in accordance with the Rules.
- 3) In case of any dispute or objection as to candidacy, disqualification, eligibility to vote, or the admission or rejection of a vote in the elections to the Apex Council or any of the Committees, the Electoral Officer shall decide the same and such decision shall be final and conclusive.





CHAPTER SEVEN: AUDIT & ACCOUNTS

34. AUDITOR(S):

- The General Body shall at every Annual General Meeting appoint one or more auditors to hold office for a 1 year period and shall fix their remuneration. The Auditor shall be eligible for reappointment by the General Body.
- 2) The Auditor(s) of the CAP shall have the right of access at all times to the Books of Accounts, Vouchers and any other documents relating to the accounts of the CAP and shall be entitled to obtain from the Office-bearers and Committees such information and explanation as may be necessary in the discharge of his/their duties.
- 3) The Auditor(s) shall provide an opinion on the financial statements of the CAP and recommendations on the financial controls within the system, which shall be contained in a Financial Report.
- 4) The Auditor(s) shall also ascertain how the funds of the CAP are being utilized by the respective Members. It will be the responsibility of the Auditor(s) to verify the statements made by the Members in this regard and to give findings, which shall be contained in a Compliance Report.
- 5) Both the Financial Report and the Compliance Report of the Auditor(s) shall be considered at the Annual General Meeting.

35. ACCOUNTS

True accounts shall be kept by the Treasurer of all moneys received and expended by the CAP and the matters in respect of which such receipts and expenditure take place and of all assets, credits and liabilities of the CAP. This shall include the separate account maintained for T20 Puducherry Premier League or any other Premier league by whatever name called.

36. SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS & BALANCE SHEET

The accounts shall, unless the General Body fixes any other date there for, be settled by the Treasurer on the 31st of March in each year, and a balance sheet of the assets and liabilities of the CAP on that day shall be made out by him. The Balance Sheet duly audited with the Auditor's remarks shall be laid before the General Body at the Annual General Meeting.





CHAPTER EIGHT: TRANSPARENCY & CONFLICT OF INTEREST

37. TRANSPARENCY

- (i) The Memorandum of Association, Rules and Regulations and all other resolutions, orders and memoranda of the CAP (including the Apex Council and the General Body) shall be freely available to the general public at a reasonable price. The same shall also be available on the Website of the CAP.
- (ii) The composition of the various Committees (including the Governing Council), their reports of work done, financial outlay and expenditure shall be uploaded on the Website of the CAP on a quarterly basis at distinct links dedicated to each Committee. It shall be the responsibility of the CEO to ensure that this is done.
- (iii) All payments and expenditures made by the CAP which is in excess of Rs.25 lakhs shall be enumerated and uploaded on the website.
- (iv) All proceedings and conclusions of the Ombudsman and the Electoral Officer shall be uploaded on the Website of the CAP annually.
- (v) The audited accounts, balance sheets, profit & loss accounts and annual reports shall be uploaded on the Website of the CAP annually.
- (vi) The Financial and Compliance Reports of the Auditor shall be placed on the uploaded on the Website of the CAP annually.
- (vii) All notices on or behalf of the CAP including tenders for goods and services, for contractual arrangements and the like shall be promptly uploaded on the Website of the CAP.
- (viii) The website of the CAP shall display all the stadia controlled by the Association and their complete seating capacity, pricing and transparent booking procedures for all matches and tournaments whether international, domestic or T20 Puducherry Premier League, any other similar T20 tournament and IPL. All sponsor and other free allotments shall also be disclosed, in no event being more than 10% of the entire seating capacity in any particular category, when Stadium is constructed, and such matches take place.





38. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- (1) A Conflict Of Interest may take any of the following forms as far as any individual associated with the CAP is concerned:
 - (i) Direct or Indirect Interest: When the CAP, a Member, the T20 Puducherry Premier League or a Franchisee enter into contractual arrangements with entities in which the individual concerned or his/her relative, partner or close associate has an interest. This is to include cases where family members, partners or close associates are in positions that may, or may be seen to compromise an individual's participation, performance and discharge of roles.
 - <u>Illustration 1</u>: A is an Office Bearer of the CAP when it enters into a broadcast contract with a company where A's son B is employed. A is hit by Direct Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 2</u>: C is a Member of the T20 Puducherry Premier League Governing Council. The T20 Puducherry Premier League enters into a contract with a new franchisee, the Managing Director of which is C's partner in an independent commercial venture. C is hit by Indirect Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 3</u>: D is the Office Bearer of a State Association. D's wife E has shares in an T20 Puducherry Premier League Franchisee which enters into a stadium contract with the State Association. D is hit by Indirect Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 4</u>: F is President of the CAP. His son-in-law is a Team Official of a Franchisee. F is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 5</u>: G is an employee of the CAP. His wife runs a catering agency that is engaged by the CAP. G is hit by Conflict of Interest.

(ii) Roles compromised: When the individual holds two separate or distinct posts or positions under the CAP, a Member, the T20 Puducherry Premier League or the Franchisee, the functions of which would require the one to be beholden to the other, or in opposition thereof.

<u>Illustration 1</u>: A is the Coach of a team. He is also Coach of an T20 Puducherry Premier League Franchisee. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.





<u>Illustration 2</u>: B is Secretary of the BCCI. He is also President of the State Association. B is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 3</u>: C is the Vice President of the BCCI. He is also President of a State Association and member of a Standing Committee. C is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 4</u>: D is a Selector. He is also coach of an T20 Puducherry Premier League franchisee. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

(iii) Commercial conflicts: When the individual enters into endorsement contracts or other professional engagements with third parties, the discharge of which would compromise the individual's primary obligation to the game or allow for a perception that the purity of the game stands compromised.

<u>Illustration 1</u>: A runs a cricket academy. He is appointed as a selector. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 2</u>: B is a CAP commentator. He also runs a sports management company which contracts members of the team. B is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 3</u>: C is a selector. He is contracted to write a column on a tour that the national team is on. C is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 4</u>: D is a team captain. He is also co-owner of a sports management agency which is contracted to manage other team members. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 5</u>: E is a member of the T20 Puducherry Premier League Governing Council. He is engaged by a cricket broadcaster to act as an T20 Puducherry Premier League commentator. E is hit by Conflict of Interest.

(iv) Prior relationship: When the individual has a direct or indirect independent commercial engagement with a vendor or service provider in the past, which is now to be engaged by or on behalf of the CAP, its Member, the T20 Puducherry Premier League or the Franchisee.

<u>Illustration 1</u>: A is President of the CAP. Prior to his taking office, he has been engaged professionally for his services by a firm B. After A becomes President, B is appointed as the official consultants of the CAP. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.





<u>Illustration 2</u>: B is the Secretary of a State Association. Prior to his election, he ran a firm C, specializing in electronic boundary hoardings. Upon becoming Secretary, the contract for the Association's stadium hoardings is granted to C. B is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 3</u>: D is the Commissioner of the T20 Puducherry Premier League. Before he came into this office, he used to engage E as his auditor for his business. After becoming Commissioner, E is appointed as auditor to the T20 Puducherry Premier League. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 4</u>: F is the Captain of an T20 Puducherry Premier League team, and G is the team's manager. When F is made Captain of the national team, G is appointed as the national team's manager. F is hit by Conflict of Interest.

(v) Position of influence: When the individual occupies a post that calls for decisions of governance, management or selection to be made, and where a friend, relative or close affiliate is in the consideration or subject to such decision-making, control or management. Also, when the individual holds any stake, voting rights or power to influence the decisions of a franchisee / club / team that participates in the commercial league(s) under CAP;

<u>Illustration 1</u>: A is a selector. His son is in the consideration for selection. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 2</u>: B is the Secretary of a State Association. He also runs a cricket academy in the State. B is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 3</u>: C is an umpire. His daughter D is a member of a team which is playing a match in which C officiates. C is hit by Conflict of Interest.

<u>Illustration 4</u>: E is the President of a State Association and his company F owns 12 cricket clubs in the State from which probables are selected for the State team. E is hit by Conflict of Interest.

EXPLANATION: The Illustrations which refer to a President / Secretary / Vice-President may be read as illustrations referring to any other Office Bearer, and also to the members of the Apex Council, the Governing Council and the Committees.





(2) Within a period of 15 days of taking any office under the CAP, every individual shall disclose in writing to the Apex Council any existing or potential event that may be deemed to cause a Conflict of Interest, and the same shall be uploaded on the website of the CAP. The failure to issue a complete disclosure, or any partial or total suppression thereof would render the individual open to disciplinary action which may include termination and removal without benefits. It is clarified that a declaration does not lead to a presumption that in fact a questionable situation exists, but is merely for information and transparency.

(3) A Conflict of Interest may be either Tractable or Intractable.

a. Tractable conflicts are those that are resolvable or permissible or excusable through recusal of the individual concerned and/or with full disclosure of the interest involved;

b. Intractable conflicts are those that cannot be resolved through disclosure and recusal, and would necessitate the removal of the individual from a post or position occupied so that the conflict can cease to exist;

Explanation: In Illustration (iii) of Rule 38(1)(i), if the wife held 51% shares, the conflict will be treated as intractable. If the wife holds 3% shares, whether the conflict is tractable or intractable will have to be decided by the Ethics Officer on the facts of the case. If the wife holds only 100 shares out of 1 crore shares, a disclosure of the same may be sufficient.

(4) It is clarified that no individual may occupy more than one of the following posts at a single point of time except where prescribed under these Rules:

- a) Player (Current)
- b) Selector / Member of Cricket Committee
- c)Team Official
- d) Commentator
- e) Match Official
- f) Administrator / Office-Bearer
- g) Electoral Officer
- h) Ombudsman& Ethics Officer
- i) Auditor
- j) Any person who is in governance, management or employment of a Franchisee / BCCI / any other State Association
- k) Member of a Standing Committee





- I) CEO & Managers
- m) Office Bearer of BCCI
- n) Service Provider (Legal, Financial, etc.)
- o) Contractual entity (Broadcast, Security, Contractor, etc.)
- p) Owner of a Cricket Academy
- (5) As far as incumbents are concerned, every disclosure mandated under Sub-Rule (3) may be made within 90 days of the Effective Date.

39. THE ETHICS OFFICER

- 1) The Association shall appoint an Ethics Officer at the Annual General Meeting for the purpose of guidance and resolution in instances of conflict of interest. The Ethics Officer shall be a retired Judge of a High Court so appointed by the Association after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the CAP in keeping with the dignity and stature of the office. The term of an Ethics Officer shall be one year, subject to a maximum of 3 terms in office.
- 2) Any instance of Conflict of Interest may be taken cognizance of by the EthicsOfficer:
 - a. Suo Motu;
 - b. By way of a complaint in writing to the official postal or email address; or
 - c. On a reference by the Apex Council;
- 3) After considering the relevant factors and following the principles of natural justice, the Ethics Officer may do any of the following:
 - a. Declare the conflict as Tractable and direct that:
 - i. The person declare the Conflict of Interest as per Rule-38 (3); or
 - ii. The interest that causes the conflict be relinquished; or
 - iii. The person recuse from discharging the obligation or duty so vested in him or her;
 - b. Declare the conflict as Intractable and direct that:
 - i. The person be suspended or removed from his or her post; and
 - ii. Any suitable monetary or other penalty be imposed; and
 - iii. The person be barred for a specified period or for life from involvement with the game of cricket;

The Ethics Officer is wholly empowered to also direct any additional measures or restitution as is deemed fit in the circumstances.





CHAPTER NINE: THE OMBUDSMAN

40. THE OMBUDSMAN

- (1) The Association shall appoint on advice of the Apex Council and in consultation with CEO an Ombudsman at the Annual General Meeting for the purpose of providing an independent dispute resolution mechanism. The Ombudsman shall be a retired Judge of the Supreme Court or a retired Chief Justice of a High Court so appointed by the Association after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the CAP in keeping with the dignity and stature of the office. The term of the Ombudsman shall be one year, subject to a maximum of 3 terms in office.
- (2) The Association shall, on advice of the Apex Council and in consultation with the CEO frame Regulations governing the discipline, conduct and penalties for the Players, Match Officials, Team Officials, Administrators, Committee Members, Members of CAP and their representatives, Franchisees and their representatives and others associated with the CAP.

41. GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

(1) The types of disputes/differences that form the Ombudsman's ambit and the procedures for redressal are:

a. Member, Association & Franchisee Disputes

Any disputes between or among the CAP, its Members, T20 Puducherry Premier League Franchisees, Zones and the Cricket Players' Association shall be automatically referred to the Ombudsman.

Procedure: Both parties would submit their arguments and a hearing would be conducted following the principles of natural justice and exercising all powers of enquiry and hearing as the Ombudsman deems fit before appropriate orders are passed.





b. Detriment caused by Member or Administrator

If any Member or any Administrator of the CAP commits any act of indiscipline or misconduct or

acts in any manner which may or likely to be detrimental to the interest of the CAP or the game of cricket or endanger the

harmony or affect the reputation or interest of the CAP or refuses or neglects to comply with any of the provisions of the Memorandum and/or the Rules and Regulations of the CAP and/or the Rules of conduct framed by the Association, the Apex Council, on receipt of any complaint shall issue a Show Cause Notice calling for explanation and on receipt of the same and/or in case of no cause or insufficient cause being shown, refer the same to the Ombudsman.

Procedure: The Ombudsman shall, after providing opportunity of hearing to the parties concerned, pass an appropriate order.

c. Misconduct or Breach by Others

In the event of any complaint being received from any quarter or based on any report published or circulated or on its own motion, of any act of indiscipline or misconduct or violation of any of the Rules and Regulations by any Player, Umpire, Team Official, Selector or any person associated with the CAP, the Apex Council shall refer the same within 48 hours to the CEO to make a preliminary enquiry.

Procedure: The CEO shall forthwith make a preliminary inquiry and call for explanations from the concerned person(s) and submit his report to the Apex Council not later than 15 days from the date of reference being made by the Apex Council. On receipt of the report, the Apex Council shall forward the same to the Ombudsman, who shall call for all particulars and unless it decides that there is no prima facie case and accordingly drops the charge, hearing shall commence on the case and the same shall be completed as expeditiously as possible by providing a reasonable opportunity to the parties of being heard. If, despite due notice, any party fails to submit any cause or submits insufficient cause, the Ombudsman shall after providing reasonable opportunity of hearing to the parties concerned, pass appropriate order. In the event any party refuses and or





fails to appear despite notice, the Ombudsman shall be at liberty to proceed ex-parte on the basis of the available records and evidence.

d. By the Public against the CAP

Where a member of the public is aggrieved concerning ticketing and access and facilities at stadia, the same may be brought in the form of a complaint to the Ombudsman.

Procedure: The Ombudsman would adopt the same procedure as laid down in (c) above after referring the complaint to the CEO to solicit a report on the complaint.

- (2) The Place of hearing shall be decided by the Ombudsman from time to time. The Ombudsman shall have the power to impose penalties as provided in the Regulations framed under Rule 40(2) for Players, Match Officials, Team Officials, Administrators, Committee Members, Members of CAP and their representatives, Franchisees and their representatives and others associated with the CAP
- (3) The decision of the Ombudsman shall be final and binding and shall come into force forthwith on being pronounced and delivered.
- (4) Any Administrator, Player, Match Official, Team Official, Selector or other individual associated with the CAP on being found guilty and expelled by the Association shall forfeit all their rights and privileges. He or she shall not in future be entitled to hold any position or office or be admitted in any committee or any role on the CAP.
- (5) A Member or Franchise once expelled, may, on application made after expiry of three years since expulsion, be readmitted by the Association, provided the same is accepted at a General Body meeting by 3/4th members present and voting.
- (6) Pending inquiry and proceeding into complaints or charges of misconduct or any act of indiscipline or violation of any Rules and Regulations, the concerned Member, Administrator, Player, Match Official, Team Official, or other individual associated with the CAP (along with their respective privileges and benefits) may be suspended by the Apex Council until final adjudication. However, the said adjudication ought to be completed within six months, failing which the suspension shall cease.





CHAPTER TEN: MISCELLANEOUS

42. NOTICE

- Any notice required to be served on any Member of the CAP or any Administrator or other entity shall be addressed to their registered addresses.
- (2) All notices shall be served by way of electronic mail to the official e-mail addresses as are furnished to the CAP.
- (3) Any notice sent via post or e-mail shall be deemed to have been served at the time when the same was sent, and it shall be sufficient to prove either that the letter containing the notice was properly addressed and posted or that the email was sent to the correct e-mail address.

43. INDEMNITY

Every Office-bearer, Councillor, CEO, Manager or a Member of a Committee of the CAP shall be indemnified out of the CAP's funds against all losses and expenses incurred in the discharge of his or her duties, except those which have occurred through wilful act or default and if so, each one shall be chargeable only for so much moneys or properties as they shall actually receive for or in the discharge of the business of the CAP and shall be answerable only for their own act, neglect or default and not for those of any other person.

44. SUITS BY OR AGAINST THE CAP

The CAP shall sue or be sued in the name of the Secretary.

45. AMENDMENT AND REPEAL

These Rules and Regulations of the CAP shall not be repealed, added to, amended or altered except when passed and adopted by a 3/4th majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a Special General Meeting of the General Body convened for the purpose or at the Annual General Meeting. Any typographical error/s shall be corrected in Special General Meeting / Annual General Meeting. However, any amendment to the rules will not be given effect to without the leave of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.





46. GENERAL

- 1. In any matter not dealt under these Rules, the provisions of the Rules of BCCI shall apply as though they are part and parcel of the Rules.
- In the event of non availability of any professionals / officers / first class
 cricketers as Selectors / Committee Members, the Apex Council of CAP shall decide alternate options available on a case to case basis to complete the tasks on time.



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