

**OFFICE OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER, BOARD OF CONTROL FOR CRICKET IN INDIA
(BCCI)**

**ELECTION NOTIFICATION FOR INDIAN CRICKETERS' ASSOCIATION (ICA) ELECTION ON
11 OCTOBER 2019 TO 13 OCTOBER 2019**

I. Election Notification

1. Through this notification ("**Election Notification**"), the Electoral Officer, BCCI ("**Electoral Officer**") hereby announces the commencement of the election process for the first election of the Indian Cricketers' Association ("**ICA**") to be held on 11-13 October 2019 ("**ICA Election**"). The ICA Election process shall be conducted in accordance with the schedule provided in *Table 1* below ("**Election Schedule**").

Table 1- ICA Election Schedule

Event	Date/Deadline
Release of Election Schedule, List of Posts for which Elections shall be held, Draft Electoral Roll and Call to File Nomination Applications	30 September 2019
Deadline for Receiving Objections to Electoral Roll	3:00 PM 3 October 2019
Investigation and Disposal of Objections Raised	30 September 2019 to 4 October 2019
Release of Final Electoral Roll	5:00 PM 4 October 2019
Deadline for Filing Nomination Applications	3:00 PM 5 October 2019
Scrutiny of Nomination Applications	5 October 2019 to 7 October 2019
Announcement of Draft List of Duly Nominated Candidates	5:00 PM 7 October 2019
Deadline for Receiving Objections to Draft List of Duly Nominated Candidates	3:00 PM 9 October 2019
Investigation and Disposal of Objections Raised (if any) and Withdrawal Applications	7 October 2019 to 9 October 2019
Announcement of Final List of Duly Nominated Candidates	5:00 PM 9 October 2019
ICA Election	11:00 AM on 11 October 2019 to 12:00 PM on 13 October 2019
Declaration of Results	Before 12:00 PM 15 October 2019
ICA Board Meeting	16 October 2019

II. Draft Electoral Roll

1. The draft Electoral Roll for the ICA Election which consists of all individuals who have applied to become members of the ICA on or before 21 September 2019 and have tentatively been deemed eligible to be granted membership to the ICA based on the eligibility criteria specified in the Articles of Association of the ICA (the "**Articles**"), is available on the ICA's website at www.indiancricketersassociation.com/election. The final grant of ICA membership shall be subject to the individual complying with any statutory and legal requirements and other requirements as may be specified by the Board of Directors of the ICA ("**ICA Board**"), including with respect to the payment of membership fees, if any.
2. It is clarified that the draft Electoral Roll is strictly tentative and may be subject to revision based on objections raised and further verification of membership applications received by the ICA pursuant to which a final Electoral Roll will be released on www.indiancricketersassociation.com/election in accordance with the Election Schedule. Only the individuals named in the final Electoral Roll shall be permitted to participate in the ICA Election.

3. Any objections regarding the composition or constitution of the draft Electoral Roll may be sent via email marked with the subject line “**Sub: Objection – ICA Election Electoral Roll**” to electoral.officer@bccci.tv before **3:00 PM on 3 October 2019**. The Electoral Officer shall review such objections and dispose them as necessary.

III. Posts, Eligibility Criteria and Voting Electorate

1. The posts for which elections shall be conducted during the ICA Election (“**Posts**”), the eligibility criteria and applicable voting electorate for each Post are specified in *Table 2* below.

Table 2 – Posts, Eligibility Criteria and Voting Electorate

S.No.	Body	Posts	Eligibility Criteria	Eligible Voting Electorate
1.	ICA Board	President	a) If male, played at least 5 International Test Matches and/or at least 25 First Class Matches; or b) if female, played at least 10 First Class Matches.	All Members named in Electoral Roll (male and female)
		Secretary		
		Treasurer		
		Member Representative		
		Member Representative		
2.	ICA Representative Nominees to BCCI and IPL	Male ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council		
		Female ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council		
		ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council		
3.	BCCI Member Associations corresponding to ICA Chapters with at least ten (10) male Electoral Roll members	Male ICA Representative Nominee to corresponding BCCI Member Association’s Apex Body	Must belong to ICA Chapter	All Members allocated to such ICA Chapter in Electoral Roll (male and female)
4.	BCCI Member Associations corresponding to ICA Chapters with at least five (5) female Electoral Roll Members	Female ICA Representative Nominee to corresponding BCCI Member Association’s Apex Body	Must belong to ICA Chapter	

2. A full list of posts for which elections shall be conducted, including the ICA chapters that shall be entitled to elect male and/or female representative nominees based on the criteria specified in *Table 2* and the ICA chapters that will not be permitted to elect such male and/or female representative nominees is available on the ICA’s website at www.indiancricketersassociation.com/election.
3. Article 8 (c) of the Articles provides that at least one (1) Board member shall be a woman. In order to facilitate this requirement, it is hereby clarified that in the event that a female candidate is not elected as a President, Secretary or Treasurer on the ICA Board, the female candidate who receives the highest number of votes for the Post of Member Representative (among female candidates only) shall be elected as a Member Representative, whether or not there is more than one (1) male candidate who receives higher votes than such female candidate.
4. It is clarified that ICA Chapters that do not have at least ten (10) male ICA Electoral Roll members, and/or five (5) female ICA Electoral Roll members, will not be allowed to elect male and/or female representative

nominees (as the case may be) to the corresponding BCCI Member Association(s). The representative nominees to the corresponding BCCI Member Association of such ICA chapters shall instead be nominated by the duly elected ICA Board.

5. The appointment and tenure of all individuals elected or nominated (as the case may be) for a Post in the BCCI or BCCI Member Association shall be subject to the BCCI Rules and Regulations and the constitutions of the relevant BCCI Member Associations.

IV. Nominations

1. The Electoral Officer hereby invites eligible members who have been included in the Electoral Roll to submit nomination applications to contest for Posts for which elections shall be held during the ICA Election. The documentation required to be provided by a candidate wishing to contest for a Post is specified in **Annexure 1** hereto.
2. A candidate wishing to contest for a Post for which election is being conducted during the ICA Election provided that such candidate is eligible to contest for such Post in accordance with the criteria specified in *Table 2* above, is required to submit the applicable Nomination-cum Affidavit Form (“**Nomination Form**”) and supporting documentation prescribed in:
 - a) *Section 1* of **Annexure 1**, if the candidate wishes to contest for an ICA Board post; or
 - b) *Section 2* of **Annexure 1**, if the candidate wishes to contest to be an ICA representative nominee to the BCCI Apex Council or IPL Governing Council; or
 - c) *Section 3* of **Annexure 1** (if the candidate wishes to contest to be an ICA representative nominee to a BCCI Member Association’s Apex Body)

within the deadline specified for receipt of nomination applications in the Election Schedule.

3. A candidate must fill up the prescribed Nomination Form as applicable to the Post that the candidate wishes to contest, and such Nomination Form must be duly signed by him/her and his/her signature attested by notary/oath commissioner.
4. The Nomination Form must be signed by a proposer and seconder, who shall conform to the criteria specified for such proposer and seconder, as prescribed in the “*Nomination Application Requirements*” notification.
5. Each proposer’s and seconder’s signature should be duly attested by a notary/oath commissioner.
6. No individual shall be a proposer or a seconder to more than one candidate in respect of one (1) Post.
7. A Candidate shall be entitled to contest for only one (1) Post during the ICA Election.
8. A candidate will be deemed to be eligible to contest for a Post only if he/she submits a complete application and meets all the requirements specified, as determined by the Electoral Officer. Any nomination applications that are submitted after the deadline specified in the Election Schedule shall not be considered by the Electoral Officer and the candidate to whom such application relates shall not be permitted to contest the ICA Election.
9. The Electoral Officer reserves the right to require further information or seek clarification on and in respect of any matter relating to the BCCI Election.
10. Scanned copies of all documentation prescribed in the “*Nomination Application Requirements*” notification are required to be sent via email, marked with the subject line “**Sub: ICA Election - Nomination Application – Name of Candidate**” to electoral.officer@bcci.tv on or before the deadline specified in the Election Schedule. Original copies of all application documents are required to be sent in a sealed envelope to the address specified below and are required to reach such address on or before **5:00 PM on 7 October 2019**.

The Electoral Officer

Board of Control for Cricket in India
Cricket Centre, Wankhede Stadium,
D Road, Churchgate, Mumbai – 400020

11. All candidates deemed eligible to contest for a particular Post in the ICA Election upon examination of their applications will be named on an initial Nomination List to be notified by the Electoral Officer on the date specified in the Election Schedule on the ICA's website.
12. Any objections regarding the composition or constitution of the initial Nomination List may be sent via email marked with the subject line "**Sub: Objection – ICA Election Nomination List**" to electoral.officer@bcci.tv before **3:00 PM on 9 October 2019**. The Electoral Officer shall review such objections and dispose them as necessary in accordance with the Articles.
13. Any objections raised and withdrawal applications filed will be investigated and disposed prior to the release of the final Nomination List on the date specified in the Election Schedule.

V. Voting and Declaration of Results

1. The Electoral Officer shall cause arrangements to be made for e-voting by Electoral Roll members on the day(s) of the ICA Election as specified in the Election Schedule and will call the Electoral Roll members to exercise their voting right in respect of each of the contested Posts.
2. The Electoral Officer will prescribe the procedure for the Electoral Roll members to cast their vote including, the sequence according to which posts shall be up for election, the maintenance of secrecy of votes, the time limit for exercising the voting right, etc.
3. At the closure of the time prescribed for voting, the Electoral Officer shall cause the counting of the votes cast and announce the results in respect of each of the contested Posts.
4. After announcement of results, the Electoral Officer shall announce the completion of the poll process.

VI. Code of Conduct

All individuals named in the Electoral Roll are required to abide by the Code of Conduct prescribed hereinbelow.

1. In order to ensure free and fair polls, candidates are expected to submit the nomination papers along with an affidavit/declaration covering provisions mentioned therein. Nominations received without the affidavit/declaration will be rejected at the time of scrutiny.
2. Candidates will not use unfair means including bribery, or appeal to or use of religious symbols, nor distribute gifts of various kinds such as liquor, to induce voters for support. They will strictly adhere to the prescribed campaign practices annexed to these instructions.
3. Proxy voting shall not be allowed.
4. Campaign material if circulated should not appeal to religious, caste, or communal sentiments to entice for votes and should be not violative of the local law in force.
5. All candidates are expected to cooperate with the Electoral Officer and his designated staff for smooth conduct of voting during the entire process.
6. In case of any dispute or objection as to candidacy, disqualification, eligibility to vote or admission or rejection of vote, the Electoral Officer shall decide the same and such decision shall be final and conclusive.

VII. Campaign Practices

1. Campaigns

- a) Campaigning (if any) shall be carried out by the candidates in a fair and reputable manner and, more generally, in a spirit of respect for fundamental ethical principles.
- b) Candidates shall conduct all campaigns with dignity and moderation and with due respect to other candidates, the ICA and the voting electorate. A candidate may produce no spoken word, written text or representation of any nature likely to harm the image of another candidate or cause him/her prejudice. Criticism of other candidates, when made, shall be confined to their policies and programmes, past record and work. Criticism based on unverified allegations or distortion shall be avoided. There shall be no appeal to caste or communal feelings for securing votes.
- c) Each candidate may present to the electoral college his/her plans and views for the Post, in the form of a written document, whatever the means used to distribute it.
- d) Candidates shall avoid excessive expenditure in campaigning, recognising that it could become a factor of inequality amongst the candidates
- e) No public meeting or gathering of any kind may be organised in the framework of promoting a candidature. No use, free of charge or in return for payment, of the services of a journalist or the media may be made in order to place a candidate at an advantage or a disadvantage.
- f) All candidates shall avoid scrupulously all activities that are “corrupt practices”, such as bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, etc.
- g) Candidates may in no case and under no pretext give presents, offer donations or gifts or grant advantages of whatever nature, directly or indirectly, to voting members or their representatives.

2. Neutrality and Independence

- a) As the voting is secret, voting members are prohibited individually or collectively, from announcing publicly in any form whatsoever their intention to vote or not vote for a candidate.
- b) Candidates may not accept mandatory instructions from any public or private, natural or legal person. No direct or indirect assistance, be it financial, material or in kind, be it direct or indirect, may be given to candidates by any third party. Candidates may not enter into any form of undertaking with any natural or legal person likely to affect the neutrality and the freedom of decision or action of their future post.
- c) The ICA’s executive team and administration shall maintain a strict duty of neutrality at all times. No support or service in relation to a candidature may be requested from nor be given by any member of the ICA’s administration or staff.

Disputes and Objections

1. In case of any disputes or objection arising with respect to the ICA Election, from the declaration or publication of electoral roll of to the declaration of results including but not limited to objection to candidacy, disqualification, eligibility to vote or the admission or rejection of a vote, the Electoral Officer shall decide the same and such a decision shall be final and conclusive.

Date: 30 September 2019

Shri N. Gopaldaswami, Electoral Officer, BCCI

Email: electoral.officer@bcci.tv

ANNEXURE 1

NOMINATION APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Section 1 - Nomination Application Requirements for ICA Board

<i>Documents/Materials</i>
i) A Nomination-cum Affidavit Form, in the prescribed “ Form A.1 ” provided in Annexure 2 , duly completed by the applicant with signatures of the applicant, a proposer and seconder (each of whom are also named in the ICA Electoral Roll) being duly attested by notary/oath commissioner.
ii) If the applicant has been convicted for any offence, a sheet specifying the criminal cases and charges against him/her or that he/she has been convicted for.

Section 2 - Nomination Application Requirements for ICA Representative Nominees to BCCI Apex Council and IPL Governing Council

<i>Documents/Materials</i>
i) A Nomination-cum Affidavit Form, in the prescribed “ Form A.2 ” provided in Annexure 2 duly completed by the applicant with signatures of the applicant, a proposer and seconder (each of whom are also named in the ICA Electoral Roll) being duly attested by notary/oath commissioner.
ii) If the applicant is employed by a Government/Public Sector undertaking under ‘Sports Quota’, a certificate from such Government/Public Sector employer stating that the applicant is employed under ‘Sports Quota’.
iii) If the applicant has held any Office Bearer posts in the BCCI or any BCCI Member Association previously, a sheet specifying such positions held along with the terms and tenures of such positions.

Section 3 - Nomination Application Requirements for ICA Representatives to BCCI Member Associations

<i>Documents/Materials</i>
i) A Nomination-cum Affidavit Form, in the prescribed “ Form A.3 ” provided in Annexure 2 duly completed by the applicant with signatures of the applicant, a proposer and seconder (each of whom are also included in the same ICA Chapter as the applicant filing the nomination) being duly attested by notary/oath commissioner.
ii) If the applicant is employed by a Government/Public Sector undertaking under ‘Sports Quota’, a certificate from such Government/Public Sector employer stating that the applicant is employed under ‘Sports Quota’.
iii) If the applicant has held any Office Bearer posts in the BCCI or any BCCI Member Association previously, a sheet specifying such positions held along with the terms and tenures of such positions.

ANNEXURE 2

FORM A.1

Indian Cricketers' Association (ICA)

Election for ICA Board –

Nomination-cum Affidavit Form

I, Mr./Ms./Mrs./_____ S/o, W/o, D/o _____,
aged _____ years and residing at,

having ICA Electoral Roll No. _____, and being a member of the following ICA Chapter _____ hereby offer myself as a candidate for election for the post specified below at the ICA Election to be held on 11th to 13th October 2019:

Post: (*select one*)

1. President
2. Secretary
3. Treasurer
4. ICA Member Representative

I hereby confirm and solemnly affirm that:

- a) I am eligible to be an Office Bearer of the ICA/member of the ICA Board as per the Articles of Association of the ICA;
- b) I am a male ex-cricketer, and I have played at least 5 International Test Matches and/or at least 25 First Class Matches or I am a female ex-cricketer and have played at least 10 First Class Matches;
- c) I have not been convicted of any offence by a competent court and in the event I have been convicted for any offence previously I am submitting a self-attested sheet specifying the criminal cases and charges against me or that I have been convicted of;
- d) I am not disqualified from being a Director of a company under the Companies Act, 2013, as amended from time, and in particular, I am not disqualified from being a Director of a company under Section 164 of the Companies Act, 2013, as amended from time to time.

I solemnly affirm that the information provided in this Nomination-cum Affidavit Form and all the supporting documentation is true to the best of my knowledge and understanding. I hereby understand that the information provided by me herein and in the supporting documentation may be independently verified for accuracy, truthfulness and completeness by the Electoral Officer and in the event that it is found that I have acted fraudulently or misrepresented any information herein or in the supporting documentation, my eligibility to contest in the ICA Election may be rejected by the Electoral Officer.

Proposer Details

Proposer's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No:

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Secunder Details

Secunder's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No.

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Verification and Affirmation:

Verified at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 2019
that the above stated contents of the present Nomination-cum Affidavit Form are true and correct to the best of
my knowledge and I affirm that no material information has been concealed.

Deponent's Signature

FORM A.2

Indian Cricketers' Association (ICA)

Election for ICA Representative Nominees to BCCI Apex Council and IPL Governing Council –

Nomination-cum Affidavit Form

I, Mr./Ms./Mrs./ _____ S/o, W/o, D/o _____,
aged _____ years and residing at _____

_____, having ICA Electoral No. _____ and being a member of the following ICA Chapter _____ hereby offer myself as a candidate for election for the post selected below, at the ICA Election to be held on 11th to 13th October 2019:

Post: (*select one*)

1. Male ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council
2. Female ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council
3. ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council

I hereby confirm and solemnly affirm that:

- a) I am a male ex-cricketer, and I have played at least 5 International Test Matches and/or at least 25 First Class Matches or I am a female ex-cricketer and have played at least 10 First Class Matches;
- b) I am a citizen of India;
- c) I have not attained the age of seventy (70) years;
- d) I have not been declared to be insolvent or of unsound mind;
- e) I am not a Minister or Government Servant and I do not hold a public office except under a 'Sports Quota' and that if I am employed by a Government/Public Sector undertaking under 'Sports Quota', I am submitting herewith a certificate from such Government/Public Sector employer stating that I am employed with such entity under the 'Sports Quota';
- f) I do not hold any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;
- g) I have not been charged by a Court of Law for having committed any criminal offence i.e. no court of law has passed any order framing charges against me;
- h) I have not been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member Association previously and if I have been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member Association previously:
 1. I am submitting a self-attested information sheet specifying all such positions held by me in the BCCI and any BCCI Member Association(s) previously;
 2. I have not functioned as an Office Bearer either in any BCCI Member Association and/or the BCCI for a cumulative period of 9 years;
 3. I am not required to undergo a cooling off period of 3 years in accordance with the BCCI Rules and Regulations.

I solemnly affirm that the information provided in this Nomination-cum Affidavit Form and all the supporting documentation is true to the best of my knowledge and understanding. I hereby understand that the information provided by me herein and in the supporting documentation may be independently verified for accuracy, truthfulness and completeness by the Electoral Officer and in the event that it is found that I have acted

fraudulently or misrepresented any information herein or in the supporting documentation, my eligibility to contest in the ICA Election may be rejected by the Electoral Officer.

Proposer Details

Proposer's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No:

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Secunder Details

Secunder's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No.

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Verification:

Verified at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 2019 that the above stated contents of the present Nomination-cum Affidavit Form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I affirm that no material information has been concealed.

Deponent's Signature

FORM A.3

Indian Cricketers' Association (ICA)

Election for ICA Representative Nominees to BCCI Member Association Apex Body –

Nomination-cum Affidavit Form

I Mr./Ms./Mrs./_____ S/o, W/o, D/o _____,
aged _____ years and residing at _____

_____, having ICA Electoral No. _____ and being a member of the following ICA Chapter _____ hereby offer myself as a candidate for election as an ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Council/Managing Committee or apex-level governing body, by whatever name called (“**Apex Body**”) of the BCCI Member Association named below in the post category selected below at the ICA Election to be held on 11th to 13th October 2019:

Name of BCCI Member Association: _____

Post: (*select one*)

1. Male ICA Representative Nominee to Apex Body
2. Female ICA Representative Nominee to Apex Body

I hereby confirm and solemnly affirm that:

- a) I am a citizen of India;
- b) I have not attained the age of seventy (70) years;
- c) I have not been declared to be insolvent or of unsound mind;
- d) I am not a Minister or Government Servant and I do not hold a public office except under a ‘Sports Quota’ and that if I am employed by a Government/Public Sector undertaking under ‘Sports Quota’, I am submitting herewith a certificate from such Government/Public Sector employer stating that I am employed with such entity under the ‘Sports Quota’;
- e) I do not hold any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;
- f) I have not been charged by a Court of Law for having committed any criminal offence i.e. no court of law has passed any order framing charges against me;
- g) I have not been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member Association previously and if I have been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member Association previously:
 1. I am submitting a self-attested information sheet specifying all such positions held by me in the BCCI and any BCCI Member Association(s) previously;
 2. I have not functioned as an Office Bearer in any BCCI Member Association for a cumulative period of 9 years;
 3. I am not required to undergo a cooling off period of 3 years in accordance with the BCCI Rules and Regulations.

I solemnly affirm that the information provided in this Nomination-cum Affidavit Form and all the supporting documentation is true to the best of my knowledge and understanding. I hereby understand that the information provided by me herein and in the supporting documentation may be independently verified for accuracy, truthfulness and completeness by the Electoral Officer and in the event that it is found that I have acted fraudulently or misrepresented any information herein or in the supporting documentation, my eligibility to contest in the ICA Election may be rejected by the Electoral Officer.

Proposer Details

Proposer's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No:

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Secunder Details

Secunder's Signature:

Name:

ICA Electoral Roll No.

ICA Chapter:

Address:

Mobile No.:

E-mail ID:

Verification:

Verified at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 2019
that the above stated contents of the present Nomination-cum Affidavit Form are true and correct to the best of
my knowledge and I affirm that no material information has been concealed.

Deponent's Signature