

Cricket Association of Uttarakhand
Draft Minutes of the Meeting
Special General Body

Dated: 21st July, 2020 Time: 12:00 PM Venue: Shakumbhari Gardens, Dehradun.

Mr. Jot Singh Gunsola, President of CAU took the chair and presided over the meeting.

The chair enquired from Mr. Mahim Verma, Honorary Secretary if the quorum was complete as per the requirement of the CAU constitution.

The President confirmed the quorum by asking the members to raise their hands who were physically present and also noted that three members joined the meeting via video conferencing. Therefore, a total of 46 members (including three members joined by video conferencing) were present at the meeting. After ascertaining that the requisite quorum for the meeting was present, the meeting was called to order.

The President expressed his warm welcome to all the members who were present at the meeting. Thereafter Honorary Secretary, CAU also welcomed all the members.

The Honorary Secretary informed the house that the Apex Council had resolved to seek legal opinion to the effect that whether the business to be transacted in an AGM can be transacted in a Special General Meeting, if the AGM had not transacted the same business in its meeting. The Honorary Secretary further informed the house that a legal opinion was sought from Shri VBS Negi, Senior Advocate Uttarakhand High Court which stated "The Special General meeting as prescribed under Rule 9 of the Bye laws as per the procedure prescribed under Rule 9(1) can be held at any time of the year regardless of the holding of the Annual General meeting as prescribed in the Rule 8 of the Bye laws. CAU is free to discuss any matter in the SGM as per your requirement, but strictly as per the procedure prescribed under rule 9(1)."

Mr. Hira Singh Bisht, member, CAU enquired about the fact as to why SGM is called and not an AGM. Therefore, was keen to know the purpose of the same. Also, the

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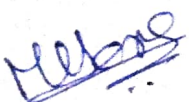
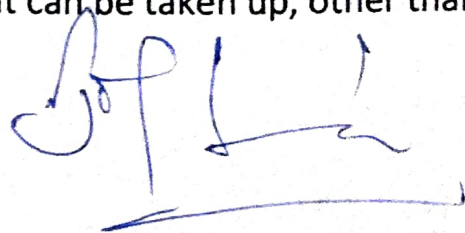
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agenda mentioned should have been taken up in AGM. He also suggested that instead of SGM these agendas can be taken up in an AGM after 10 days. Referring to the constitution as Bible, Bhagwat Gita he stated that all aspects should be taken up considering the constitution of the Association. He also enquired as to the current emergency and the requirement of SGM,

The Chair and the Hon. Secretary informed Mr. Hira Singh Bist and the house that since there is substantial time as to when AGM can be called and since there are some pressing matters regarding appointments of certain constitutional posts that are to be appointed by the General Body, these appointments cannot be kept pending. Giving example, the Hon. Secretary stated that since the CAC is not yet appointed, the association is not able to appoint head coach and selection committees which are integral in order to start cricketing activities to achieve the purpose of CAU which is to develop cricket in the state of Uttarakhand.

The Honorary Secretary replied that he has been getting calls regarding the fact that he is not complying with the constitution and why the Ombudsman is not hired till date. He also mentioned about the fact that CAC should be appointed as soon as possible as they will further appoint the Head Coach and the selection committees which are important for CAU in order to start cricketing activities as delay in it will cause the further delay in achieving the purpose of CAU which is to develop cricket in the state of Uttarakhand. If there is delay in the appointment of CAC we would be deprived of being able to appoint the best of the Coaches as other state associations are already in the process of finalizing their coaches for their state teams. Also, as per the provisions relating to transparency for our association to be compliant, the appointment of Ombudsman / Ethics Officer needs to be done, the delay in this appointment is not good for the transparent functioning of the Association. For calling an AGM it will require annual budget and audit reports, which are not ready as of now and the planning of the district as in the budgets to be allocated to them has still not been done.

Mr. Hira Singh Bisht and Mr. Mr. O.P Sudi, member, CAU opined their views about certain agenda items that were to be transacted and certain other issues to which the chair and the Hon. Secretary replied that if the issues raised are retaining to the specific agenda that is to be transacted then it can be taken up, other than that no



other issue that is not on the agenda can be discussed or decided as per the provisions of the CAU constitution.

The house decided to take up the agendas for considerations.

Agenda Item 1: Appointment of the Ombudsman/Ethics Officer

The agenda item 1 was taken for consideration, regarding appointment of Ombudsman / Ethics Officer of CAU

The chair informed the house that the President and Hon. Secretary have considered various persons from Uttarakhand and other Courts in India as per eligibility conditions laid down in the constitution for the above mentioned position.

Mr. Hira Singh Bisht inquired if any advertisement was given for the same. To which the President responded that it's an honorary post and should not be considered by an advertisement.

The Chairman proposed the name of Justice (Retd.) Virender Singh, Former Chief Justice of Jharkhand High Court and Former Chairperson, Armed Forces Tribunal for the role of Ombudsman cum Ethics Officer at CAU, which was seconded by the Hon. Secretary.

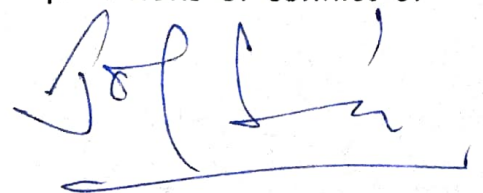
The house unanimously approved the above proposal of appointing Justice (Retd.) Virender Singh for the role of Ombudsman cum Ethics Officer of CAU. Further the house authorized the Hon. Secretary to discuss and finalize the terms and conditions for the above appointment in consultation with the President.

Agenda Item 2: Appointment of Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee

The agenda item 2 was taken for consideration for appointment of the Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee of CAU.

The Honorary Secretary informed the house that as per the constitution of CAU the Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee should comprise of reputed former international cricketers and also have to consider the provisions of conflict of interest before considering any individual.





The Hon. Secretary proposed the following three names for being the members of the Cricket Advisory/ Improvement Committee of CAU. The Hon. Secretary also mentioned here that unlike other Associations we should consider one female cricketer in this committee.

The following names were proposed as the members of the Cricket Advisory/ Improvement Committee by the Honorary Secretary-

- Mr. Joginder Sharma
- Mr. Gopal Sharma
- Mrs. Renuka Dua

This proposal was seconded by the Chairman and the house unanimously approved above mentioned three names as the members of Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee of CAU. Further the house authorized the Hon. Secretary to discuss and finalize the terms and conditions for the above appointment in consultation with the President.

Agenda Item 3: Appointment of Junior Cricket Committee

The agenda item 3 was taken for consideration for the appointment of Junior Cricket Committee.

The Hon. Secretary suggested that the office bearers are of the opinion that the last year's committee did a good job in U19 and U 16/14 and the team fared well and therefore they should be appointed again.

Therefore, the Hon. Secretary proposed to appoint the following names for being members of the Junior Cricket Committee of CAU-

- Mr. AW Zaidi (Chairman)
- Mr. Kapil Dev Pandey
- Mr. Javed Anwar
- Mr. Ashok Pal
- Mr. Chetan Sachdeva

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The above proposal was seconded by the President and the house unanimously approved the above mentioned persons as members of Junior Cricket Committee with Mr. AW Zaidi as Chairman. Further the house authorized the Hon. Secretary to discuss and finalize the terms and conditions for the above appointment in consultation with the President.

Agenda Item 4: Appointment of Women's Selection Committee

The agenda item 4 was taken for consideration for the appointment of the Women's Selection Committee.

The Honorary Secretary informed the house that they need to appoint 5 persons for the Women's Selection Committee but since most of them are already engaged and considering the conflict of interest provisions we are only in the position to propose 3 names as of now. The Hon. Secretary proposed the following three names for being members of the Women's Selection Committee.

- Ms. Archana Mishra (Chairman)
- Ms. Rajeshwari Pandey
- Ms. Swarupa. S. Kadam

The abovementioned proposal was seconded by the President and the house unanimously approved the above three persons to be appointed as members of the Women's Selection Committee with Ms. Archana Mishra as Chairman. Further the house authorized the Hon. Secretary to discuss and finalize the terms and conditions for the above appointment in consultation with the President.

The House also resolved that for the remaining two positions in the Women's Selection Committee, the Hon. Secretary is authorized to appoint any suitable person in consultation with the President.

Agenda Item 5: To appoint CAU's representative for all communications and for BCCI conferences or similar conferences

The agenda item 5 was taken for consideration to appoint CAU's representative for all communications and for BCCI conferences or similar conferences.

Mr. Sanjay Gusain, member, CAU started by expressing that in his opinion this job is of utmost significance and carries high responsibility. The job should be given to

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a person with much experience and with excellent communication skills. Honorary Secretary, Mr. Mahim Verma being the only person who has been a part of BCCI as Vice President and has the kind of experience, which is required, and he has done tremendous work for the state in the past and will continue to do so in future.

He proposed the name of Mr. Mahim Verma, to be CAU's representative for all BCCI communications, conferences etc. which was seconded by the chairman.

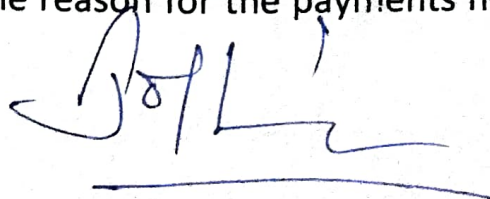
The house unanimously resolved to appoint Mr. Mahim Verma, Honorary Secretary of Cricket Association of Uttarakhand as the CAU's representative for all communications and for BCCI conferences or similar conferences and to attend, discuss, opine and vote in BCCI meetings, on behalf of Cricket Association of Uttarakhand.

Agenda Item 6: Discussion regarding long delay in releasing pending payments

The agenda item 6 was taken for consideration, the Honorary Secretary informed the house that the players who represent and play for Uttarakhand are the soul of cricket of Uttarakhand and since their dues are pending which is a pressing issue that should be discussed and considered as the reputation of CAU is at stake. Therefore, the house should discuss and resolve this issue.

Mr. Dheeraj Bhandari, member, CAU emphasized on the fact that CAU should run as a family and people should work collectively and cohesively keeping the best interest of cricket of Uttarakhand and the players of Uttarakhand as the primary focus. Mr. PC Verma, Mr. Bisht and Mr. Meghwal (Members, CAU) have done a lot for the development of cricket in Uttarakhand in the past, and we need to make sure that we continue to do the good work. The journalists are writing ill about CAU and the reputation is at stake, in this regard CAU authorities should sit together to sort out the differences and start respecting senior members and work towards the betterment of cricket. He further inquired about the issue of delay of payment to all the stakeholders of CAU and why this issue is not being sorted amongst the office bearers.

Mr. Sanjay Gusain said that because of the delay in processing the payments CAU's reputation is at stake and enquired about the reason for the payments not being done.



The Honorary Treasurer informed the house that for bills to be passed the bills should be properly presented and in proper format, properly checked, should be addressed to the right person. Payments upto Rs. 4.5 crore have been passed from BCCI directly and Rs. 3 crore worth of payments have been done as the bills were presented in the correct format and paperwork.

He further mentioned that at many occasions referring to some incidences there was lack of documentation, inconsistency in paper work making it difficult for him to pass such bills and process payments. Around Rs. 3 crore worth of payments have been done as the bills were presented in the correct format and that all the payments will be cleared when all the paperwork will be done with proper documentation.

He also said that BCCI through its email on 14.11.2019 had asked for the bank details which was sent to them by 29.1.2020, again on 4.3.2020 we sent the same details, therefore the payments got delayed by 5 months.

He raised his concerns of emergent meeting of Apex Council held on 14.6.2020 being not in accordance with constitution as it had more than one agenda. Also, when SGM can be called during COVID outbreak why was the Apex Council called via video conferencing.

He further added that the payments were delayed due to non-presentation of bills in proper required format, and not due to any wrongful intentions against anyone and that he has been doing his work to the best of his knowledge and his ability. He will always ensure that no wrong doings are done.

The chair added that everyone in the association wants that bills should be passed properly, and proper process should be followed. But if Apex Council takes any decision then that should be followed promptly without any delay.

He appreciated that payments have been made in the past, but also raised his concern that a lot of payments are still pending to be processed and in order to keep the association running payments should be released, so that detriment is not caused to the image of CAU.

The President added that there is no question regarding the validity of the Apex Council meeting dated 14.6.2020 and everything was in accordance with the

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Constitution of CAU. Since the accounts department of the office is under the Honorary Treasurer he should work with them to ensure that all documentation is up to the mark and payments are processed. No one should blame the office bearers for this, rectifications if any have to be done by office itself and it's not the duty of the President or Honorary Treasurer. It's the duty of the office to ensure that CAU's image is not at stake because of the vendors not being paid.

The Honorary Treasurer added that If a vendor needs money then he will have to raise an invoice and then only the payment will be made. None of the invoices have been generated till 10th June. 99% of the paperwork isn't done properly.

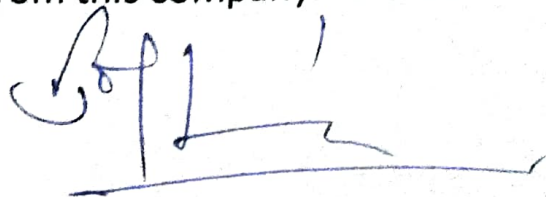
Mr. Noor Alam, Secretary, Cricket Association of Udham Singh Nagar congratulated the CAU for its continued good work and being able to organise matches within the short span of time. He further said that there would have been the mistakes while making the payments but for that we need to sit together and sort this in the good faith of CAU.

Honorary Secretary mentioned here that all this work of the invoices and bills was under the CEO Mr. Amrit Mathur. Work is being done at a good speed. He also mentioned that employees of CAU have even visited his house at 2AM in the night to get the papers signed. He also praised Honorary Treasurer about the job that he has done in the past, and also stated that mistakes if any made in the appointments in the past will be rectified.

He added that CEO Mr. Amrit Mathur was given this responsibility but seems it has not been done as required and Hon. Secretary had no clue about the invoices. He admitted the objections raised by the Honorary Treasurer but said that amendments have been done as suggested by him.

Hon. Secretary further added giving a reference that initially when CAU got the affiliation from BCCI, none of the CAU office bearers were aware of any policies in terms of invoices. As there was no time and neither CAU had procurement policy they got a clothing company who was also working for Rajasthan Cricket Association which is run by BCCI then and their rates were tendered rates by BCCI. Many other associations are also buying clothing from this company. This was also informed to Mr. Rajiv Jindal.





He also stated that as the affiliation was new so certain things took time to get in shape. If there were any discrepancy during that time it was only because the things were new and now knowing such things will make CAU a better place to work.

Mr. Harsh Goel, Secretary, Cricket Association of Almora shared that CAU should have purchase policies, and such policies should be introduced by presenting the same in the Apex Council Meeting. Such errors can be sorted and all the office bearers should sit together to rectify them so that payments can be cleared on time. This will further help to clear the path in future and will help to develop the game of cricket.

Honorary Secretary informed the house that they are rectifying the technical errors and the Honorary Treasurer is doing a good job and due to his efforts only we have released pending payment of around Rs 3 crores.

Honorary Treasurer added that CEO Mr. Amrit Mathur has not visited Dehradun any time soon and his last visit was on 11-12th February 2020. According to constitution CEO is responsible for all the office related matters, be it accounts or operations and still none of the bills have been signed by Mr. Mathur. He also raised the concern of the appointment of Mr. Amrit Mathur and his extension of services.

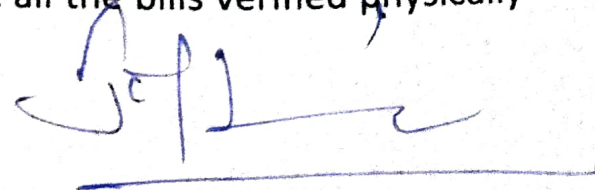
Mr. Hira Singh Bisht added his views that there is nothing worse than what Mr. Mathur has done.

The President responded that Mr. Amrit Mathur was unwell in November and it was a serious illness leading to hospitalization. Mr. Mathur himself wanted to stay here in Dehradun for another 15 days and should run this office but his condition was worse so he couldn't turn up. He also said that regarding the extension of Mr. Mathur after 31.12.2019 was approved by him in anticipation of Apex Council. This was later ratified by the Apex Council in its meeting held on 14th June 2020. He said that he would want office to rectify all the errors so that things can be streamlined and payments to be made in 15 days.

Honorary Treasurer added that Mr. Mathur should verify all the bills by himself.

Honorary Secretary agreed and said that he will get all the bills verified physically by CEO.





The house unanimously agreed and resolved that the President, Hon. Secretary & Hon. Treasurer to sit together and sort all issues and get all the pending payments to be cleared within the next 7 days.

Hon. Secretary raised an issue regarding necessary documents for bank operations.

Mr. Rajiv Jindal and Mr. Ninu Sehgal, President, District Cricket Association Dehradun suggested that such issues can be taken up in the Apex Council and not in SGM.

Agenda Item 7: Proposal of registering CAU under Companies Act

The agenda item 7 was taken for consideration, Mr. Rajiv Jindal stood up and proposed that this agenda should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

The house unanimously resolved that this should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

Agenda Item 8: Proposal for CAU guest house & plans for future CAU club house

The agenda item 8 was taken for consideration, Hon. Secretary informed the house that CAU has hired a consultant Mr. Aman Singh and the consultation fee is nil, who will tell us about this point:

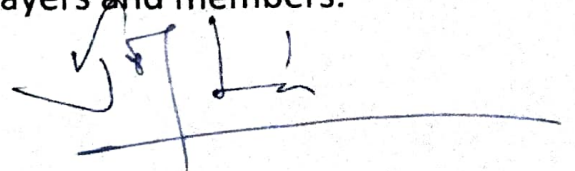
Mr. Aman Singh then presented to the house about total expenses expected to be incurred on accommodation which was Rs. 1.5 crore for the season starting in September and ending in February, and this was just for half season. Since from now it will be a full season where utilization of rooms will be for the whole year, which would add on to the cost which will be quite high.

Therefore, the property which CAU is looking at right now has 14 rooms, gymnasium and all-weather swimming pool.

Honorary Secretary directs Mr. Aman to tell the house something about the financial cost inclusions.

Aman Singh then continued by comparing the costs with previous year. Spending on accommodation will be roughly around 3.3 crores whereas owning our own property will help us to save more than 50-60 lacs. Hence, CAU will be saving a lot of cost and providing the best of the facilities to players and members.





Mr. Sandeep Rawat, member, CAU then asks the panel about the CAU office, because office is a priority as compared to the guest house.

To which Honorary Secretary replied that CAU is in touch with the stadium authorities regarding the taking over of the stadium. Due to Covid-19 the process is a bit delayed, as they have turned the stadium to Covid center otherwise by now CAU office would have been shifted there.

The house resolved that the plan is beneficial for CAU and the same was approved.

Agenda Item 9: Proposal of taking stadiums/grounds under CAU jurisdiction on lease.

The agenda item 9 was taken for consideration, and it was decided that the proposal should be taken up and discussed with the office of the Chief Minister and Secretary Sports. Further discussion about the negotiated terms and conditions will be taken up in the Apex Council Meeting.

Agenda Item 10: Proposal to create indoor facility with High Performance Centre at Maharana Pratap Sports College on a lease agreement.

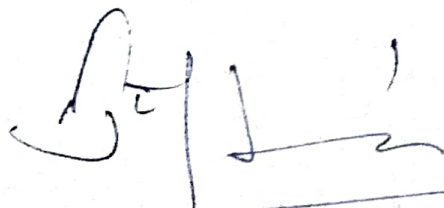
The agenda item 10 was taken for consideration, and it was decided that the proposal should be taken up and discussed with the office of the Sports Minister. Further discussion about the negotiated terms and conditions will be taken up in the Apex Council Meeting.

Agenda Item 11: Proposal to change the official Bank of CAU account (SBI) to another nationalized/Private bank

The agenda item 11 was taken for consideration, Mr. Ninu Sehgal stood up and proposed that this agenda should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

The house unanimously resolved that this should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

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Agenda Item 12: Proposal to commence a CAU branch office in Nainital

The agenda item 12 was taken for consideration, Mr. Rajiv Jindal stood up and proposed that this agenda should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

The house unanimously resolved that this should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

Hon. President closed the meeting by thanking everyone present including the seniors, juniors, house and members of the Apex for marking their presence at SGM. It can be understood that at times the arguments are justified but everyone needs to move towards the wellbeing of the cricket in the state.

Honorary Secretary directed Mr. Jindal to discuss about the internal audit after the SGM which needs to be started. All the reports and balance sheet have to be ready before AGM as CAU would want the same reports before the AGM and AGM is planned in the second week of September.

Mr. Jindal said that previous year's balance sheet is already prepared.

Honorary President thanked everyone from the bottom of the heart and would want everyone's support to develop the sport of cricket and take CAU to new heights so that everything can be proved beneficial for the players too.

Mr. Umesh Chand Joshi, Secretary, Pithoragarh Cricket Association wanted to put his point regarding the benefits to be given to districts such as monetary benefits so that the same amount can be utilized in trials. Also, the payment of the players and small vendors to be released first.

The President proposed that the same be taken up by Apex Council. The house unanimously resolved that this should be taken up, discussed and decided by the Apex Council.

With all the agendas of the meeting taken up and since no further agenda is left pending the Chairman thanked the office bearers and the members of the Association. The meeting was then concluded.

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