

OMBUDSMAN AND ETHICS OFFICER

CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF UTTARAKHAND

2/1 Convent Road, Near SBI Main Branch, Dehradun Pin : 248001

Compliant No. 3/2022

Cricket Association of Uttarakhand

Through it's Hon. Secretray Shri Mahim Verma

Against

Shri OP Sudi and two others

ORDER

1. A communication dated 14.06.2022 was received by me through CEO of CAU by hand while I was camping at Dehradun during my official visit in connection with certain other matter(s) concerning CAU, whereby, Apex Council required me to adjudicate the issue of misconduct against three persons namely, Shri OP Sudi, Shri Rohit Chauhan and Shri Tejendra Singh Rawat, the members of the Cricket Association on the basis of the report of the CEO. The said report of the CEO and other relevant documents relating to this issue were forwarded to me by the CAU.
2. Since the Report of the CEO which was provided by the Apex Council to me vide abovementioned communication was not as per the practice directions (1/2020), I vide my order asked Hon. Secretary of CAU to clarify his stand in this regard before it could be entertained be me, in response thereto Hon. Secretary had placed on record the comments dated 14.7.2022. Thereafter, all the three respondents were put to notice to file their counter reply

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in which reasonably good time has been consumed by them in particular by Sh. OP Sudi, who had gone out of country and came after considerable period. The instant matter has been delayed for some time on account of my personal difficulty also. It is thereafter also the respondents had been delaying the matter for one reason or the other as reflected in the procedural/short orders passed from time to time in as much as when it was taken by me on physical hearing at Dehradun, a request was again made for an adjournment. In all fairness, I had been accommodating the respondents throughout even when Sh. Ashish Deep Verma, Advocate appearing for two respondents sought an adjournment, he being at Dubai and date was given suitable to him and the other side, the said two respondents, once again sought time to address arguments. It is in this eventuality I directed both the sides to submit their respective written submission within a stipulated period of seven days which exercise was done by Sh. OP Sudi only and none else. Instead of filing written submission, a specific query was raised by Shri Rohit Chauhan in the following words :-

“ This is with regard to the order dated 15.07.2023 issued in the Complaint No. 3 of 2022 whereby the Written Submissions were to be submitted within

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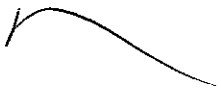
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one week from the date of the order mentioned above.

I humbly request your good offices to kindly clarify whether the show cause notice dated 07.07.2021 is to be treated as the complaint in itself or whether there is a separate complaint that has been referred to.”

3. In all fairness, I granted another two days time to file written submission by remaining two respondents and CAU which exercise has now been done by CAU, and the remaining two respondents on 25.7.2023.
4. Since, I am demitting the office of Ombudsman and Ethics Officer of CAU on 27.7.2023, 28.7.2020 being the date of my appointment, I feel that in all fairness, I will not be able to delve into the instant matter thoroughly to come to the just conclusion on account of my previous important commitments to be attended to on priority basis, therefore, I find it most appropriate to defer the instant matter for its consideration afresh at any subsequent stage by the new incumbent.
5. Since, I had reserved the instant matter for orders vide my last order, it stands released forthwith.



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6. Scanned copy of my order of even date is being sent to all concerned on their email. CEO of CAU is directed to display this order on the official website of CAU.


(Justice Virender Singh)

Former Chief Justice

Ombudsman & Ethics officer

Dated: 26.07.2023

Place: Chandigarh