

MADHYA PRADESH CRICKET ASSOCIATION, INDORE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE OF THE MADHYA PRADESH CRICKET ASSOCIATION, INDORE, HELD ON 2nd April 2018

(As confirmed by the Managing Committee in the meeting held on 11 August 2018 with modifications if any)

A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association (MPCA) was held on 2nd April 2018 at 7.30 pm at MPCA Office, Indore.

The following members were present -

1. Dr. Nishith Patel : Vice President
2. Shri. Milind Kanmadikar : Hon. Secretary
3. Shri. Pravin Kasliwal : Hon. Treasurer
4. Shri. Pankaj Pandey : Hon. Jt. Secretary
5. Shri. Sandeep Mungre : Hon. Jt. Secretary
6. Shri. Karan Singh Shekhawat : Individual Member
7. Shri. Premswroop Patel : Individual Member
8. Shri. Raju Singh Chouhan : Individual Member
9. Shri. Ravi Bhaskar : Individual Member
10. Shri. Narendra Menon : Past Secretary
11. Shri. Amitabh Vijayvargiya : Member (Indore Divisional CA)
12. Shri. Kamal Shrivastava : Member (Rewa Divisional CA)
13. Shri. Prashant Mehta : Member (Chambal Divisional C A)
14. Shri. Surendra Kabra : Member (Ujjain Divisional CA)
15. Shri. Ravi Patankar : Member (Gwalior Divisional C A)
16. Shri. Dharmesh Patel : Member (Jabalpur Divisional C A)
17. Shri. Farooq Khan : Member (Sagar Divisional C A)
18. Shri. Anurag Mishra : Member (N'puram Divisional C A)
19. Shri. Ajay Dwivedi : Member (Shahdol Divisional C A)
20. Shri. Sanjay Jagdale : Member (C C I)
21. Shri. Rajendra Rajguru : Member (Star CC)
22. Shri. Vimalchand Jain : Member (YMCC)
23. Shri. Jyotiraditya M Scindia : Member (Scindia School)
24. Shri. Dilip Chudgar : Special Invitee
25. Shri. Rohit D Pandit : C.A.O.

The Hon. Secretary extended warm welcome to all present in the house. He also requested the members to kindly condone the delay for the meeting to start.

The Hon. Secretary thereafter requested Dr. Nishit Patel, Vice President, to chair the meeting.

Dr. Nishith Patel thanked the house and occupied the Chair.

In his address to the house, Dr. Nishith Patel expressed deepest condolence on sad demise of few of MP cricketers – Mr. Vinod Narang, Dr. MK Shukla, some of our members – Mr. Mahendra Singh Kalukheda, Dr. M K Bhargava, and close and beloved relatives of our members – Ms. Sidhiyani Patni's Mother, Mr. Amay Khurasiya's Brother, Mr. Subhash Bais's Brother and Mr. Pankaj Pandey's brother.

Mr. Jyotiraditya M Scindia also expressed his sentiments on the loss of our close associates who were not only important to their respective families but also for the family of MPCA.

He fondly remembered Dr. Bhargava and said that Dr. Bhargava was in many ways embodied not only the spirit but also soul of cricket. He was a person principally involved in raising MPCA from its initial stage to the level we are today. His presence on the premise of MPCA on almost every single day is a great testament to his spirit and dedication. An avid sportsperson, Dr. Bhargava played club cricket and thereafter got associated with MPCA. His passion, vision and work helped him growing up the ranks from being a Jt. Secretary of MPCA to the posts of Chairman and Vice President. During this journey, he was always present to guide the Association on aspects like administration and legal, help the players for their medical needs, and in many more ways to steer our institution. He played pivotal role in organising seven ODI under auspices of MPCA. MPCA must consider itself fortunate to honour him with our highest award – The Lifetime Achievement Award - for all his hard work towards our Institution. In real terms he represented the father figure of MPCA. His exit has left a big vacuum in front of us. Next generation would surely look to him as inspiration and follow his footsteps.

Mr. Scindia also spoke passionately about Mr. Mahendra Singh Kalukheda who left us for heavenly abode sometime back. He said Mr. Kalukheda was principally involved with the Ujjain Division cricket. He was versatile personality showing his presence and work in fields like politics, sports and agriculture. He had a special place for sports in his life and pushed sports tremendously.

Before concluding, Mr. Scindia expressed fear about far too soon exit by many of our doyens. This leaves a level of frailty within our organisation. We are left with very few such guiding and helping hands and it is now our turn to learn as much as we can from such seasoned contributors and continue to strengthen our Institution on regular basis.

Thereafter, the house paid homage to the departed souls and observed silence as a mark of respect.

Dr. Nishith Patel then spoke about the significant on-field and off-field achievements for MPCA, briefly summarised as under - .

Pooja Vastrakar, a young girl from Shahdol selected in India Women's team for recent series of ODI and T20 against South Africa (ICC Women's Championship at South Africa), Australia (ICC Women's Championship at Vadodara) and Tri- Series between India – Australia – England.

MP Ranji team captain - Devendra Bundela has retired from first class cricket after a long stint of 24 years and 164 first class matches and 82 list 'A' matches with 10004 runs. His contribution to MP cricket is priceless.

Two back to back international matches : India – Australia ODI (24.9.2017) and India - Sri Lanka T20 (22.12.2017) organised by MPCA with great efficiency and success.

KXIP has preferred MPCA's Holkar Stadium as its second venue and hence we shall stage 4 IPL matches in the first fortnight of May 2018.

Players achievements :

IPL selection : Naman Ojha, Ankit Shama, Avesh Khan and new entry Aryaman Birla

Aryaman Birla ; scored 795 runs in 6 matches in Col. C K Nayudu Tr...stands rank I in India

Yash Dubey : scored 902 runs in 9 games of cooch behar tr. with 4 centuries he stands II rank in India.

Ajay Rohera : Score 444 runs in ltd. overs (U23) tournament and stands III in India

Tripuresh Singh : Took 31 wickets in 6 matches of Vijay Merchant Trophy. He is also selected in NCA U-16 camp while Rishabh Chouhan and saad baggad are in NCA U-19 camp

BCCI Tournaments position :

Ranji Trophy :	Quarter final (lost to Delhi)
U-23 Col C K Nayudu Tr. :	Qualified for elite group
U-23 Ltd. Overs Tr. :	Zone Champion and All India Semi Finalist
U-19 Cooch Behar Tr. :	All India Finalist (Lost to vidarbha)
U-16 Vijay Merchant :	Semi Finalist
Women's U-23 T20 :	Super League

Organising BCCI Tournament

Ranji Trophy Final : It was second successive year for us to host this prestigious match when Vidarbha played against Delhi. This was followed by the Women's Challenger Trophy.

Central Zone Vinoo Mankad Tr. was organised by us at Gwalior with great support from GDCA.

First time a BCCI tournament was staged at the two new grounds of MPCA at Jabalpur. We played host to 6 teams from our zone for the women's T-20 tournament in March 2018. MPCA applauds the efforts on part of JDCA to organise the tournament.

Sagar Division efficiently staged Boys' U-23 match along with other junior matches at the MPCA ground.

While concluding, he thanked all those who helped MPCA for various activities and events organised by us during the recent period.

The committee then discussed the agenda.

1. To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Managing Committee held on 13.08.2017.

The draft minutes of the previous meeting were circulated to the members prior to the meeting.

The Hon. Secretary requested the house to consider following correction to the draft minutes.

Point no. 2.2 under the agenda 'significant decisions / recommendations by cricket development committee' be read as under -

.... After discussion, it was agreed to restrict the players upto **max. of 22**.

The committee approved the modification.

Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya stated that while the Finance Committee had approved the recommendation to raise the remuneration for the trainers appointed by Divisions, the minutes reflect otherwise.

He was explained that there were two facets placed for revision. One was the amount of remuneration while the other one was the period for which the trainers could be compensated for their work. Before this, the CTC towards such remuneration was in the range of INR 14,000/- to 18,000/- and the annual compensation was equivalent to the amount for a period of 8 months. Now, the period is increased to 12 months. Thus, the annual income of the trainers has increased by close to half of their erstwhile monetary gain.

There was a concern raised as to whether a good trainer can join the Division for an annual income of about 2 lacs, particularly when MPCA is extending a package of about 7 lacs to the academy trainers.

The CAO stated that the Managing Committee had previously discussed the aspect of comparing remuneration to coaches / support staff of academy with similar roles of HR working for the Divisions and ultimately it was found reasonable not to compare on such lines.

Mr. Kamal Shrivastava said that while the comparison is not necessary but the disparity appears to be wide and hence such point should be given a thought. We should try to compensate reasonably to all those who work for us full time.

Mr. Jyotiraditya M Scindia expressed that the present agenda is to confirm the draft minutes and we should discuss any such point recorded in the minutes which is a deviation from the discussion, like the one error pointed out by the Hon. Secretary just a while back. We should desist from revisiting our own decisions frequently.

Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya invited the attention of the house about the recent episode when the decisions taken by the Managing Committee in its meeting on 29 July 2017 were revised / remodeled in the subsequent meeting held on 13 August 2017.

Mr. Jyotiraditya M Scindia stressed to stick to the agenda and point out any technical issues related to the draft minutes.

In relation to the remuneration to the trainers, he said that we initiated the system sometime back and then we revised the remuneration part after analysis. Let us proceed on the same and again after sometime if the need to relook exists then we can discuss at appropriate stage after seeking comments from the recommending committee.

Thereafter, the minutes were approved.

2. Consider the significant recommendations of the various sub-committee of MPCA / Office Bearers, if any.

The significant recommendations were circulated to the committee in advance. Wherever necessary, the recommendation be referred.

2.1 SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDATIONS / WORKING DECISIONS BY UMPIRE PANEL

The committee appreciated the suggestion to hold exclusive exam for woman candidates desirous of acting as umpires. In view of the increase in tournaments for the womens', our exercise would help us in formation of female umpires whom we could post for the women matches.

However, serious concern was raised towards the lowering standards of umpiring during inter divisional and other matches organised by MPCA. Erroneous decisions by umpires are adversely affecting the players and particularly the junior ones.

Mr. Narendra Menon said that the purpose of structuring this panel is precisely to improve on what we are discussing. The panel is in action but it will take sometime to observe the results.

He pointed out that the panel had earlier suggested to depute one senior and experienced umpire per match to observe on-field performance of the officiating umpires. However, this practice was stopped after few matches and the reason is not know.

The Hon. Secretary expressed that the aspect of remuneration for such appointment created confusion and hence the appointment was withheld.

The CAO said that the proposal was to nominate such senior umpires to observe and guide few shortlisted candidates who were either new (freshly inducted) or in case of the existing umpires there were some adverse observations reported about their on-field performance. One of the pre-requisite for the proposed system was to have video recording of the matches. It became very difficult to coincide factors like set-up for such video capture at all venues, availability of cameras and other equipment, availability of video analysts etc. Such reservations were even discussed when the proposal was under discussion among the panel members.

Before we consider to restart the practice, we will have to invest in equipments, create basic infrastructure at grounds, develop and engage few more persons to cover the matches using video cameras.

Mr. Narendra Menon stated that senior umpires like him, Mr. Sudhir Asnani, Mr. Rajeev Risodkar, Mr. Sanjeev Rao, Mr. Amardeep Pathania can perform the role even without cameras and hence we can nominate them as umpire coach for the inter divisional matches.

Mr. Anurag Mishara suggested that the match observer report has a rating related to performance of umpires. This could be considered for evaluation of performance.

Mr. Narendra Menon expressed that not all observers are experienced to observe umpires and hence any ranking given by such observers may not be accurate.

After discussion, it was suggested to restart the old practice of seeking report from captains about the performance of umpires. After discussion, it was agreed to seek such report only for the Senior and U-23 category of tournaments.

Mr. Sanjay Jagdale expressed that even the Divisions should strive hard to identify new talent. The candidates nominated by Divisions for umpiring exams should possess basic qualities and then only the education and guidance to them can show results. He also recommended to closely monitor the performance of existing umpires. If there is no improvement displayed on part of the umpires, then we should avoid posting them.

It was agreed to 1) conduct refresher course for existing umpires on regular basis. 2) Attendance for such course would be mandatory for becoming eligible for postings. 3) Performance of umpires in such refresher course would be evaluated. 4) The monthly benevolence scheme for retired umpires should be linked to the performance of umpires during their active phase and non-performers should be eliminated from the list of beneficiaries.

Amitabh Vijayvargiya also suggested having a regular system for deciding the increment in match fees to umpires. He was informed that our present system has in-built increment provision.

Subject to above discussion, the proposals were accepted.

2.2 SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDATIONS / WORKING DECISIONS BY TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Kamal Shrivastava initiated the discussion on the proposal. He explained that since last season, we have been strictly adhering to the players eligibility and registration rules. In the initial year of such scrutiny, there are some observations which perhaps necessitated some modification to the rules. This aspect was discussed in the tournament committee and few amendment / addition to the rules is proposed.

Mr. Prashant Mehta suggested about linking adhar card to determine the eligibility conditions.

The CAO explained practical difficulty in considering adhar card as the principal document in our system. The information pertaining to the adhar card holder is available for secured use either by the UIDAI or the card holder. However, we cannot get access to such information. We have to rely on the adhar card issued by the authority. There is no assurance that the adhar card (or its photocopy) provided to MPCA is having the actual data incorporated. For instance, presume that a player is having a card and has a photocopy of this card. Subsequent to this, the player make any amendment to his details like date of birth, residence etc. and procures another card with such revised details. Now, though the information portal will get updated but the player will still have two documents. Hence, what he submits to us could be different from the one in the repository of the government. As such, we cannot treat adhar as the only basis for personal details like date of birth, address etc. Hence, we try to seek details through multiple documents like adhar card, birth certificate, school marksheet, passport etc.

The justification was agreed.

Mr. Sanjay Jagdale expressed that MPCA is one of the few Associations that is intensely investing resources towards players development. However, we observe that the players migrate to other association and many a times we have to experience sudden vacuum. While we do not wish to object for transfers owing to jobs or change of domicile etc., there should be a rule to ensure such migration is not based only on the whims of the players otherwise our efforts would be futile.

The CAO suggested that in case if we enter into contract with players, then we can impose certain conditions. However, presently there is no such practice. It was agreed to evaluate the possibility of such binding provision and apprise the committee.

The committee deliberated on the proposals referring to the corresponding observations and accepted it for implementation from next year, summarised as under (to be incorporated in the rules wherever appropriate) –

- 1) wherever any player is registering in a school within our jurisdiction (while his bonafide residence is outside state) such players should have completed atleast one full academic year with such school and **appeared for exam** (as proposed by Mr. Kamal Shrivastava and accepted by the committee) before being eligible for participation,

and / or

- 2) Such cases be treated as guest players (education) with a restriction of maximum one player per team. This would be in addition to the existing quota of 3 guest players.
- 3) Any player registered with MPCA so far, including present season or any season prior to this, who has been historically representing a Division of his choice till the season 2017-18, can continue to do so as a local player provided

For senior tournaments : He has represented atleast 5 seasons for such Division (atleast one match in playing XI per season) during 8 preceding seasons or more.

For junior tournaments : He has represented atleast 3 seasons for such Division (atleast one match in playing XI per season) during 5 preceding seasons or more.

- 4) To reduce the number of multi-day matches to 2 (from 3 at present) and to 4 in case of ltd. over / T20 matches (from existing 6)
- 5) We should collectively try that no player is being required to face prohibition on multiple occasions for such fault. Hence, the Divisions should also align their penalty provisions on similar line of MPCA (i.e. 2 years excluding the year in which such incidence is detected)

Also, Divisions should furnish details of any player being facing such bar at domestic level within 7 days of such action. To begin with, the details to be shared with MPCA before the start of summer tournament.

Subject to above discussion, the proposals were accepted.

2.3 SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDATIONS / WORKING DECISIONS BY GROUND & LAND PURCHASE COMMITTEE

1. Mr. Kamal Shrivastava requested the committee to finalise the purchase of land for Rewa Division at the earliest.

Mr. Dilip Chudgar, member of the Ground & Land Purchase committee, expressed that the ground & land purchase committee will give a thought to the requirement with open mind and after evaluating needful details any land proposal could be finalised.

2. Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya expressed that the General Body of MPCA has allotted a budget of Rs. 45 crore for land at Indore. The land requirement covers a ground for IDCA and adequate space for another stadium of MPCA. However, the efforts to procure land for both utilities is not yielding outcome owing to several factors.

In view of this, he desires to know the approximate amount that is set aside for the land required to develop ground to be used by IDCA. If this is known then efforts could be taken to identify land required for ground to be used by IDCA.

Mr. Dilip Chudgar expressed that if we maintain a vision for next generation of cricketers, then it is advisable to have a big chunk of land so that two-three grounds could be developed. One land suggested by Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya is not feasible after the assessment of water sources, ground stratum etc.

Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya expressed several difficulties in organising cricket activities at Gymkhana ground, which is also used by couple of other clubs. Few other grounds have ceased to be available to conduct our activities. Hence, there is a pressing need to have a ground for IDCA activities.

Mr. Dllip Chudgar requested Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya to suggest lands if he is having any proposal. Mr. Amitabh Vijayvargiya agreed to suggested 4-5 proposals in 15-30 days.

Mr. Jyotiraditya M Scindia suggested that we keep the process for land identification open with both options i.e. smaller area in case only one ground is to be developed or a big plot adequate to accommodate holistic requirements of MPCA. Whichever is identified first we move further. He also stressed on confirming the land use from competent authority to ensure the land is suitable for our future plans.

3. Mr. Ajay Dwivedi requested to consider the proposal for land for Shahdol Division on priority.

Subject to above discussion, the proposals were accepted.

SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDATIONS / DECISIONS BY OFFICE BEARERS

1. The Hon. Secretary informed the house that Dr. Bharat Chapparwal is also in the organising committee for IPL. The error be rectified in point no. 3.
2. Referring to point no. 2, Mr. Kamal Shrivastava expressed that some 8-10 years back, there was a discussion with the IMC officials in relation to the municipal taxes on the property of Holkar Stadium. There was a verdict that property tax is not applicable for this property considering the use. However, why such property tax is being levied now is not clear.

The CAO explained that this point was notified to the IMC officials in the present matter. However, the IMC Commissioner cited a High Court decision based on which the present stance to impose property tax is taken by IMC. According to him, the ruling of the High Court was perhaps overlooked when the above decision was taken by the then officials 8-10 years back.

After discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Kamal Shrivastava may help by using his good offices to find out any appropriate solution after having discussion with the Government officials.

3. Referring to point no. 4, Mr. Kamal Shrivastava expressed that the proposal(s) for the T20 tournament should have been tabled before the managing committee before sending to BCCI.

The CAO explained that this is a very recent development. We are communicating with BCCI. Once BCCI expresses some guidelines, then we can reconcile the offer.

It was suggested that once BCCI prescribes rules for such tournaments, the salient features would be shared with the managing committee before execution.

The CAO requested the house that the target window for the tournament is mid June. In case if the managing committee is not able to meet before this then it would be in contradiction to the present discussion and the tournament may be affected.

He was hence asked to provide details about the tournament, recorded as under –

- i. The promoters, GDCA, have demonstrated adequate experience, team work, acumen to organise such tournament,
- ii. It would be a franchise based tournament,
- iii. There would be 6 teams, having provincial names (to be decided by the promoters,)
- iv. Tournament is proposed to be telecasted,
- v. There would be different categories of sponsors / partners, with sponsors
- vi. Playing conditions shall be as prescribed by MPCA / BCCI,
- vii. Rule of anti corruption / anti doping shall be followed,
- viii. The prize money shall be around 25 lacs, along with other regular individual awards,
- ix. Promoters shall structure a committee for organising the event.

He further clarified that the present requirement is to extend a principal approval so that the promoters can liaise with the broadcasters. Unless the tournament is falling under the 'approved tournament' category, the sponsors will not come forward.

There was a question raised about the viability of MPCA's J N Bhaya Tournament if such franchise based tournament is organised.

This fear was erased after agreeing that J N Bhaya Tournament could not be held only this year due to revision of tournament dates by BCCI. The significance of J N Bhaya Tournament surely does not get affected due to such franchise based event. If organised, the franchise based tournament would be an additional activity.

There were few more queries raised and the response by the CAO is recorded as under -

- a. MPCA is only an approving authority,
- b. Host shall be GDCA. They may rope in services of any event manager.
- c. Players from across the state (not upto 19 yrs as per present rule of MPCA) shall be eligible to present themselves for evaluation (auction),
- d. MPCA shall provide technical help like umpires, grounds etc.,

e. MPCA shall not contribute financially,

After holistic discussion, it was agreed to present the proposal to BCCI with our primary approval.

SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDATIONS / DECISIONS BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. IPL budget was approved subject to changing nomenclature of one account head 'event management' to that of 'tournament management'. The expenditure under this head covers appointment of agency to provide venue coordinators to take care of services falling under ambit of MPCA like housekeeping, MEP maintenance monitoring, other infrastructure monitoring, liaisoning with service providers etc.
2. Mr. Kamal Shrivastava expressed his fundamental reservation about any restriction on use of surplus (out of international matches) received by the Divisions. He reiterated that when BCCI does not place any restrictions on its affiliated associations, why should MPCA impose such conditions.

Mr. Jyotiraditya M Scindia expressed that after the advice of the Managing Committee, the earlier norms have been made elaborative giving reasonable discretionary authority to the divisions and such conditions are in the interest of the Divisions and the Association. So we must accept the recommendation.

The committee approved the proposal as under –

70% of the utilisation towards following causes. The internal distribution could be decided by the respective Division as per their requirement.

- i. Earmarked investment for initiating incentive scheme for Districts*
- ii. Earmarked investment for initiating rewards for junior players*
- iii. Any infrastructure development for common cause*

Balance 30% of the utilisation towards any other common expenditure of the Division.

Mr. Kamal Shrivastava expressed his dissent on decision.

3. After discussion on the proposal, the recommendation of the Finance Committee (*that we should not to lower down the age condition for the beneficiaries under the 'cricketer' category entitled for the 'Monthly Benevolence Contribution'*) was rejected by the Managing Committee and it was agreed to provide the benefit of the scheme to cricketers upon attaining age of 40.
4. The committee took note of the circumstances that required a change in the civil contractor for the construction of south and north pavilion wings of the MPCA's proposed stadium at Gwalior.
 - i. The existing contractor was relying only on the services of local agencies for the construction work.

- ii. The availability of such local resources to handle the desired requirements of our project was inadequate and hence the project was getting delayed.
- iii. The contractor was also defending on points like design change, rate for certain raw material etc.
- iv. In the interest of the project, the committee acted in good faith to pardon such lapses on part of the contractor and relied upon the assurances from the contractor to improve the progress of work.
- v. Upon rejecting the requirement of MPCA not to engage local contractors for the works, the recourse to arrive at a stage of dispute and the getting into the dispute resolution mechanism like arbitration would have been detrimental to the project.
- vi. The legal counsel had also suggested that though we have the right to invoke penalty, bypassing the procedure described for dispute resolution and arbitrarily terminating the contract would invite severe legal repercussions like timelines of project completion and potential added costs, exposure to damages arising out of delay, stay on construction activities pending final resolution etc. would land the project in jeopardy.
- vii. Hence after thoughtful consideration of all aspects, it was found prudent to amicably terminate the contract.
- viii. The second lowest tenderer – M/s CMM Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. was convinced to accept the contract at the same old rates of 2015, except for current rate for the balance quantity of steel required.

Subject to above discussion, the proposals were accepted.

3. Consider any other matter with the permission of the chair.

- 3.1 The house understood and noted the present status of the about implementation of Lodha Committee Recommendation. It was agreed to consider outline of the proposed constitution of MPCA if need be.
- 3.2 The committee took note of the MOU between MPCA and (GIZ, Germany) seeking technical collaboration support from GIZ to enter into MOU with GIZ for installation of rooftop solar system for Holkar Stadium if the feasibility report is affirmative.

After discussion, it was decided to adopt further steps only after a detailed feasibility reports.

- 3.3 The CAO explained that due to the recent development of exit of two outstanding players of MP Ranji team (Harpreet Singh migrating to Chhatisgrah and Devendra Bundela announcing his retirement), and supplemented by the similar exit of another player (Jalaj Saxena) in recent past, there could be a necessity to consider inviting professional player/s and /or specialised skill coaches to consolidate our base.

After discussion, the committee authorised the Hon. Secretary – in consultation with the Director of Cricket to consider the need and take appropriate decision in the best interests of the Association.

- 3.4 Mr. Sanjay Jagdale complemented the players, the support staff and selectors of our teams who played meritoriously during the season. He also proposed to pass a resolution appreciating the contribution by Devendra Bundela who played for us for close to 20 years. It was a challenging stage for him to compete with stalwarts like ST/SG/RD/VVS for the middle order slots. It was a tough career for him.
- 3.5 Committee approved the proposal to explore practice match series in Sri Lanka as in the past. Factors like competitive opponents, conditions etc. make Sri Lanka the best location to play.
- 3.6 The committee took note of the letters from Mr. Vijay Nayudu and Mr. Leeladhar Paliwal and authorised the Hon. Secretary to reply if required.
- 3.7 The committee took note of the application from 'Cricket Association for the Blind (MP)' for affiliation with MPCA. The committee discussed that as of now, we are promoting - regulating - controlling - governing game of cricket which is essentially coming under the purview of BCCI. Hence, if one recalls, till the time BCCI did not initiate women's cricket none of the Associations were involved in women's cricket. As of now the cricket for blind players is not under the domain of BCCI. Hence, though we may continue to support them in-kind to the extent possible (like we provide the Holkar Stadium for one match in February 2017) affiliation shall not be considered.
- 3.8 In view of the admirable work done by Adv. Ajay Bagadia as our legal retainer amid host of legal cases, references to quasi judicial bodies, and other affairs of MPCA requiring appropriate legal guidance, the committee approved the extension of the contract with Adv. Ajay Bagadia as a legal retainer and authorised the Hon. Secretary to act further with increment as per the proposal for increment of the fees.
- 3.9 There was a request for installing CCTV surveillance at sub-centre locations and periodical monitoring of the activities of coaches be done by MPCA. So also, accountability of sub-centre coaches be decided and monitored. If need be, we could appoint full-time coaches so that the motivation level could be high.
- It was shared that the monthly remuneration to sub-centre coaches is given only upon a satisfactory report by the respective Division hence there should not be dissatisfaction about their services.
- Mr. Sanjay Jagdale suggested to come forward together to design the system.
- 3.10 The committee discussed to explore for any monetary benefit that could be extended to the divisional players.
- 3.11 It was proposed to appoint neutral umpires for all matches of all tournaments conducted by MPCA..
- 3.12 It was proposed to organise semi finals and finals at Divisions also (and not only at Indore)
- 3.13 The requirement of GST registration by the Divisions be complied on priority.
- 3.14 There was a proposal to replace old ground equipment given to Divisions on case to case basis considering the wear & tear.

- 3.15 The quality of SG League was reported to be very low.
- 3.16 It was proposed to survey possibility of group insurance for players in the divisional circuit to meet treatment costs owing to on-field accidents. The CAO explained that a similar effort in the past did not yield result due to the aspect of 'no name policy'. However, recently there is a proposal to explore engaging a 'insurance broker' to understand the cumulative insurance requirements and guide us further.
- 3.17 A serious concern about unfair selection / omission of players in the womens team was discussed in detail. Issues of unwarranted interventions / enticing by the selectors was also discussed. Instances of similar issues in mens cricket was also discussed. After discussion, it was agreed to seek input from the CDC to frame some guidelines to ensure the accountability of selectors also.
- 3.18 It was proposed to allow the Divisions to organise inter-district T20 tournament for mens senior.
- 3.19 There was discussion in relation to timing of our tournaments to avoid clashing with NCA / ZCA schedule be considered in the interest of the players.

Being no other business to transact, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Milind Kanmadikar
Hon. Secretary