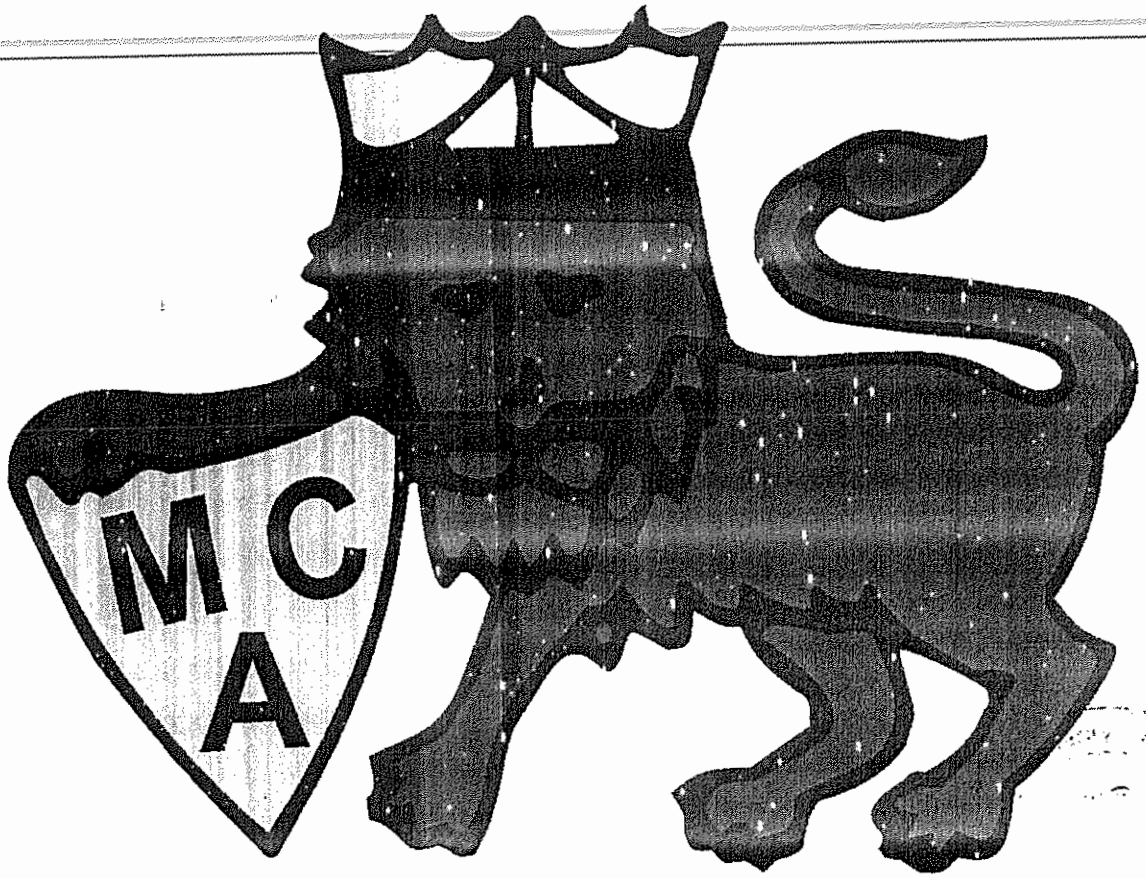
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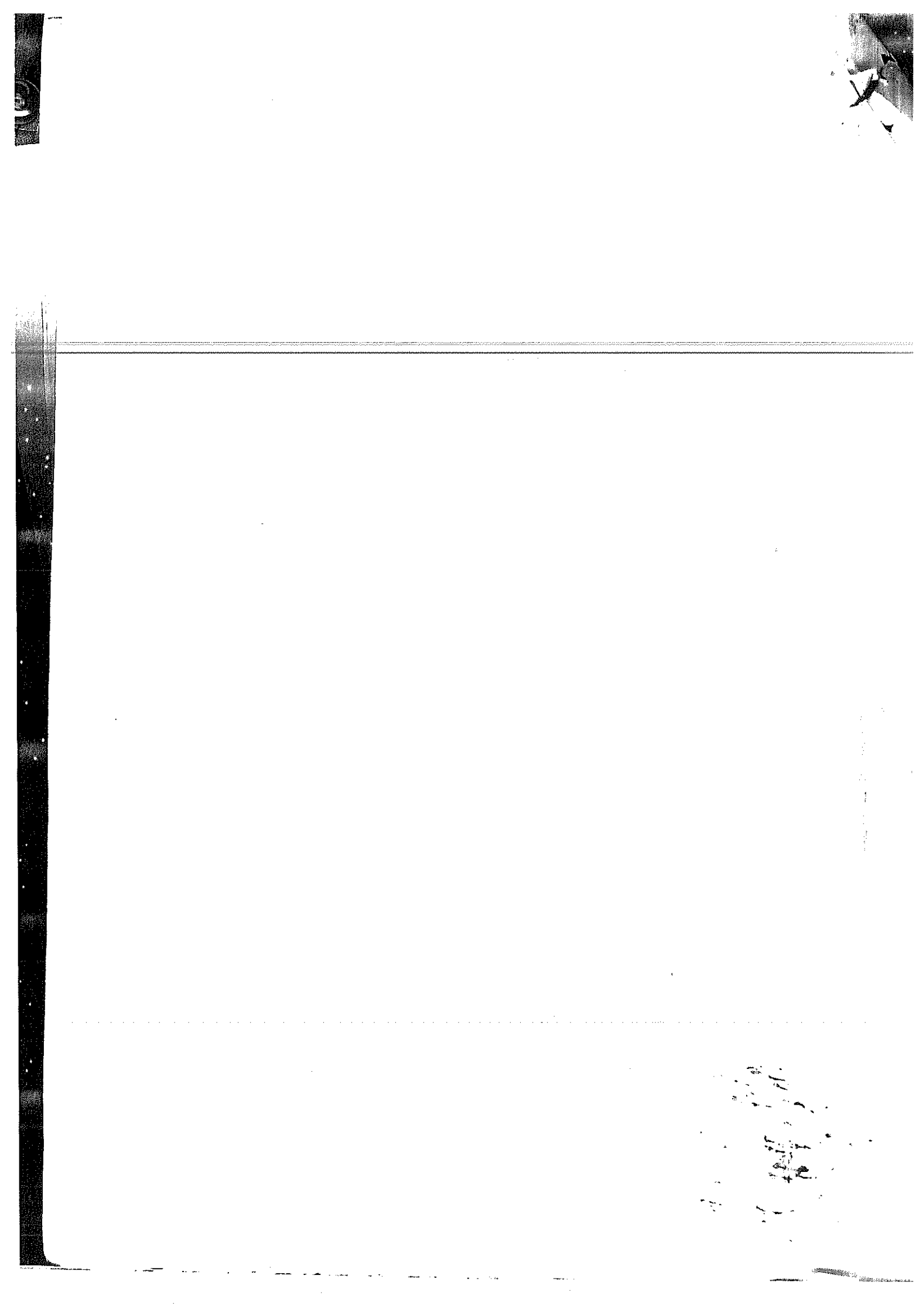
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MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

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1. The name of the Association shall be "MUMBAI CRICKET ASSOCIATION " (hereafter referred to as the "Association" or "MCA")

2. The Registered Address of the Association shall be 3rd Floor, Cricket Centre, Wankhede Stadium, 'D' Road, Churchgate, Mumbai 400 020

3. The area controlled by the Association shall be (a) Greater Mumbai (b) Thane District (c) Kharghar (d) Palghar District and (e) any other area which may be permitted by the Board of Control for Cricket in India

4. The objects and purposes of the MCA are:

   (a) To promote, organise, manage, control and improve quality and standards of the game of Cricket in the area controlled by the Association, lay down policies, roadmaps, guidelines and make rules and regulations (and amend or alter them) in all matters relating to the game of Cricket, recognizing that the primary stakeholders are the players and Cricket fans in India, and that accountability, transparency and purity of the Game are the core values;

   (b) To provide for measures necessary for promotion and development of the game of Cricket, welfare and interest of Cricketers and elimination of unethical and unfair practices in the Game of cricket; and for that purpose, organize coaching schemes, establish coaching academies, hold tournaments, exhibition matches, Test Matches, ODIs, Twenty/20, and any other matches and take all other required steps throughout the area controlled by the Association;

   (c) To select teams to represent the Association in any tournament, championship or fixture, local or otherwise and to incur and pay the expenses thereof

(d) To arrange, control, supervise, regulate and finance visits of teams, to invite Teams to play in the area controlled by the Association, to arrange tours in india and / or outside India with the permission of BCCI

(e) (i) To purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire or hire any ground and to lay out such a ground or any other ground for playing the game of Cricket and for other purposes of the Association and to provide pavilions, stadiums, dressing and refreshment rooms and such other amenities in connection therewith as may be necessary or expedient

(ii) To construct on the land belonging to the Association, building or buildings of any kind for sporting or other uses and to repair, alter, pull down or demolish the same

(f) (i) To start or sponsor and/or to subscribe to funds or stage matches for the benefit of cricketers or persons who may have rendered service to the game of cricket or for their families, or to donate towards the development or promotion of the game and to Organise matches in aid of Public Charitable and Relief Funds

(g) To start and maintain a library of books, periodicals on sport in general and cricket in particular and to start journal or journals or to donate to such library.

(h) To engage coaches in the various departments of the game and to conduct coaching schemes and/or practice nets

(i) To stage Test/ODI and/or other matches official or unofficial allotted to the Association by the Board of Control for Cricket in India or by any other body controlling cricket in India and on such ground as the Association may deem fit or expedient.

(j) To subscribe to, finance or lend money to and guarantee the contracts of The Board of Control for Cricket in India or any other body for the time being controlling the game of cricket in India or any part thereof.

(k) To borrow or raise money which may be required for the purpose of the Association upon bonds, debentures, bill of exchange, Bank overdrafts, promissory-notes or other obligations or security of the Association or on

gates of any Test Match, official or unofficial or any match to be staged by the Association or by mortgage or charge of the properties of the Association

(l) To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the Association whether movable or immovable

(m) To collect funds and to utilise the same in such manner as may be considered fit for the fulfilment of the objects of the Association

(n) To receive monies and donations from any person's or institutions and to utilise the same in any manner and for any purpose as conducive to the objects of the Association.

(o) To give financial assistance to the member clubs for such purposes as may be decided upon by the Association from time to time

(p) To employ clerks, managers, coaches, professional cricketers, umpires, scorers, groundsmen, peons, servants and workmen and to pay them in return for services rendered to the Association salaries, wages, gratuities, pensions, honoraria, compensations, bonus and/or provident fund and to remove such employees.

(q) To invest monies and funds of the Association in authorised securities or in any way and manner as may be decided upon from time to time

(r) To maintain a panel and register of cricket umpires and to take such steps as may be necessary for efficient umpiring.

(s) To utilise the income, funds and property of the Association for the promotion of the objects of the Association as set forth above PROVIDED ALWAYS that no portion of the income, funds or property of the Association shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus, profits or otherwise, howsoever to the members of the Association save and except as provided for in clauses (f) and (o) herein above

(t) To strive for sportsmanship and professionalism in the game of Cricket and

its governance and administration; inculcate principles of transparency and ethical standards in players, team officials, umpires and administrators; and to ban doping, age fraud, sexual harassment and all other forms of inequity and discrimination;

(u) To encourage and to lay down norms for constitutions of member clubs in the structure, functioning and processes of the Member Clubs;

(v) To foster the spirit of sportsmanship and the ideals of cricket amongst school, college and university students and others and to educate them regarding the same;

(w) To appoint Association's representative/s on the Association / its committees as also to Conferences and Seminars connected with the game of Cricket;

(x) To appoint Managers and/or other team officials for the Mumbai Teams;

(y) To employ and appoint CEOs, professional managers, auditors, executive secretaries, administrative officers, assistant secretaries, managers, clerks, team support staff, players, and other service personnel and staff; and to remunerate them for their services, by way of salaries, wages, gratuities, pensions, honoraria, ex-gratia payments and/or provident fund; and to remove/terminate or dismiss such employees or personnel;

(z) To ensure that tickets to cricket matches are widely available well in advance to members of the public at reasonable rates. All relevant information in this regard is to be put up on the website of the Association

(aa) To lay out cricket grounds and to provide pavilion, canteen and other facilities and amenities for the convenience and benefit of the members, players, and the Cricket fans including the women and the disabled, and to ensure the availability of Cricket gear and amenities to Cricket players;

(bb) To constitute Committees, from time to time, and entrust or delegate its functions and duties to such Committees, for achieving the objects of the Association;

(cc) To acquire or purchase properties – movable and immovable, and assets – tangible and intangible, and to apply the capital and income therefrom and the proceeds of the sale or transfer thereof, for or towards all or any of the objects of the Association ;

(dd) To carry out any other activity connected with Cricket, which may seem to the Association themselves capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with the above, or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value or render profitable or generate better income/revenue, from any of the properties, assets and rights of the Association ;

(ee) To promote, protect and assist the Players who are the primary agents of the game by:

(i) Creating a Players' Association to be funded by the Association;

(ii) Being sensitive to Players' before domestic and international calendars are drawn up so that sufficient time is provided for rest and recovery;

(iii) Taking steps, for the emotional wellbeing and family bonds of the Players' are strengthened;

(iv)Compulsorily having qualified Physiotherapists, Mental Conditioning Coaches / Counsellors and Nutritionists among the Team's support staff;

(v) Having a single point of contact on the logistics and managerial side so that Players' can fully concentrate on the game;

(vi) Registering all duly qualified agents/if any to ensure there is oversight and transparency in player representation in line with the Policy adopted by the BCCI from time to time

(vii) Offering appropriate remuneration of an Domestic standard when representing the Association on the Domestic stage as per payment structure fixed by BCCI and always recalling that national representation has priority over state / club or franchise;

(ff) To provide assistance to following causes subject to law applicable for time being in force -

(i) Such causes as would be deemed fit by the Association conducive to the promotion of the game of Cricket;

(ii) The benefit of Cricketers or their spouses and children by introducing benevolent fund schemes or other benefit schemes, as the Association deems fit, subject to its rules and regulations;

(iii) The benefit of any other persons who have served Cricket or their spouses and children as the Association may consider fit; and

(iv) To award sponsorships to sportspersons in games other than Cricket for the development of their individual skills; and

(v) To donate to any charitable cause;

(gg) To impart physical education through the medium of Cricket;

(hh) To co-ordinate the activities of members and institutions in relation to the Association and amongst themselves

(ii) To create and maintain a central repository and database of all Cricketers along with their game statistics;

(jj) To introduce a scheme of professionalism and to implement the same;

(kk) To provide a fair and transparent grievance redressal mechanism to players, support personnel and other entities associated with Cricket and;

(ll) Generally to do all such other acts and things as may seem to the Association to be convenient and/or conducive to the carrying out of the objects of the Association.

5. The income, funds and properties of the MCA, however acquired, shall be utilized and applied solely for the promotion of the objects of the MCA as set forth above to aid and assist financially or otherwise and to promote, encourage, advance and develop and generally to assist the game of cricket throughout the area controlled by the Association.

6. The Association shall not be dissolved unless the dissolution is decided upon by a resolution passed at a General Meeting of the Association convened for the purpose, by a majority of 3/4th of the Members present and entitled to vote. The quorum for such meeting shall be 2/3rd of the Members who have a right to vote. In the case of dissolution of the Association , if there shall remain after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to those of the MCA and not running for profit.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

CHAPTER ONE: SCOPE

1. **(A) DEFINITIONS**

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

(a) "ADMINISTRATOR" shall mean and include present and former Presidents, Vice Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurers, Honorary Joint Secretary of the Mumbai Cricket Association ("MCA"), Office Bearers of the Apex Council of Association,

(b) "ADDRESS OF THE ASSOCIATION" shall mean registered address of the Association as mentioned in Rule 2.

(c) "AGENTS' REGISTER" is the register maintained by the MCA under the Regulations for Registration of Players' Agents.

(d) "APEX COUNCIL" is the principal body of the Association tasked with its governance as set out in Rule 14.

(e) "AUDITOR" is the auditor of the Association appointed by the General Body in its Annual General Meeting to discharge the functions set out in Rule 34.

(f) "BCCI" or "BOARD" is the Board of Control for Cricket in India registered under Act XXI of 1960 at Chennai (Madras) on 28th November 1940 and subsequently registered under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act, 1975.

(g) "CEO" is the Chief Executive Officer of the MCA appointed by the Apex Council as set out in Rule 23.

(h) "CLUB" shall mean a club, gymkhana, institution, association or cricketing body to be a registered as non-profit Company u/s 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 or Public Charitable Trust under the Maharashtra Public Trust Act, 1950 excluding clubs of commercial firms or companies or offices who actively promote the game of cricket

(i) "CONFLICT OF INTEREST" refers to situations where an individual associated with the MCA in any capacity acts or omits to act in a manner that brings, or is perceived to bring the interest of the individual in conflict with the interest of the game of cricket or the interest of the Association and that may give rise to apprehensions of, or actual favouritism, lack of objectivity, bias, benefits (monetary or otherwise) or linkages, as set out in Rule 38.

(j) "COUNCILLORS" are the members of the Apex Council.

(k) "CRICKET COMMITTEES" are the Committees as set up in Rule 26, which consist only of former first class Players and are charged with selection, coaching and evaluation of team performance.

(l) "CRICKET PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION" refers to the Cricket Players' Association as per the BCCI Constitution

(m) "ELECTORAL OFFICER" is the person appointed to conduct, supervise and deal with issues concerning elections as set out in Rule 33.

(n) "ETHICS OFFICER" is the person appointed to administer the Conflict of Interest principles as set out in Rule 39.

(o) "EXISTING MEMBER" is an association or other body corporate that was a Member of the Association immediately before the Effective Date.

(p) "FRANCHISEES" are the various commercial entities who may have entered into franchise agreements with the MCA for participation in the T20 Mumbai League any Premier League the Association may introduce.

(q) "GENERAL BODY" is the supreme body of the MCA, which is constituted by its Members.

(r) "GOVERNING COUNCIL" is the Standing Committee constituted by the Association, which shall be in charge of and conduct the T20 Mumbai League or any Premier League the Association may introduce (whenever).

(s) "JOINT SECRETARY" is the Honorary Joint Secretary of the MCA as set out in Rule 7(4).

(t) "JUNIOR TOURNAMENT" shall mean any tournament conducted by the MCA from time to time and which is designated as "a junior Tournament", by the Cricket Improvement Committee of the Association.

(u) "MATCH OFFICIAL" includes Umpires, Match Referees, Observers, Statisticians, Ground Staff and Scorers so appointed by the Association from time to time.

(v) "MCA" or "Association" is the Mumbai Cricket Association registered under Society Registration Act, 1860 on 21/10/1974 and registered with Charity Commissioner under Bombay Public Trust Act under Reg. No. AF-3451, Mumbai on 30/11/1974

(w) "MEMBER" shall include

(i) PATRON : His Excellency Governor Of Maharashtra, who will be invited to become Patron.

(ii) HONARARY MEMBER : Any person who has rendered services to sports and is invited by the Committee for such period as Committee deems fit

(iii) DONOR MEMBER: Any person above age of 21 years and who pays Rs. 10 Lakh and above and applies by filling form and is enrolled by the committee.

(iv) "ORDINARY MEMBER" is a member of the Association having voting Rights and as enumerated in Rule 3(A)(e) of these Rules;

(v) "ASSOCIATE MEMBER" is a Member of the Association not having voting rights and as enumerated in Rule 3(A)(f) of these Rules.

(x) "OFFICE BEARER" means a member holding office of the President or the vice president or the Hon. Secretary or the Hon. Jt. Secretary or the Hon. Treasurer of Apex Council of any State Association or BCCI, member of governing Council of any State Association or BCCI.

(y) "OMBUDSMAN" is the independent grievance redressal authority set up under Rule 40.

(z) "PERSON" shall include any member, company or association or body or individual whether incorporated or not and any individual representing such member,

Company, Association or body, whether incorporated or not.

(aa)"PLAYER" is any Cricketer past or present registered with MCA or any of its Members as a player and shall include any person selected in any squad to represent Mumbai in a First Class Match, ODI tour match, Twenty/20 or Junior Tournament Match in India or Abroad.

(bb)"PRESIDENT is the Honorary President of the MCA and of the Apex Council as set out in Rule 7(1).

(cc) "REPRESENTATIVE" of a Member means a person duly nominated as such by respective Ordinary Club Members or Associate Members as the case may be, provided that in respect of Ordinary Club Member or Associate Member, he/she shall be Office Bearer of such ordinary Club or Associate Member.

(dd) "RULE" shall refer to any rule or sub-rule in these Rules and Regulations, and "RULES" refer to these Rules and Regulations.

(ee) "SECRETARY" is the Honorary Secretary of the MCA as set out in Rule 7(3).

(ff) "T20 Mumbai League" refers to franchise-based Twenty/20 tournament conducted by the MCA

(gg) "TEAM OFFICIAL" refers to the support staff appointed by the MCA including coaches, managers, physiotherapists, nutritionists, trainers, analysts, counsellors and medics.

(hh) "TOURNAMENT RULES" means the rules governing the conduct of various domestic tournaments organized by the MCA including the T20 Mumbai League (whenever) and such other tournaments as may be conducted by the MCA from time to time.

(ii) "TREASURER" is the Treasurer of the MCA as set out in Rule 7(5).

(jj) "VICE PRESIDENT" is the Vice President of the MCA as set out in Rule 7(2).

(kk) "YEAR" means financial year commencing from the1st day of April and ending on the 31st day of March of the following year.

(II) "ZONE" means area based tournaments comprising of such teams as may be decided by the MCA from time to time and subject to the following:

(i) Only Ordinary and Associate Members are entitled to field teams for MCA approved tournaments.

(ii) The MCA may decide on realigning the Zones in accordance with principles of expediency and competition.

B. INTERPRETATION

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

C. EFFECTIVE DATE

The EFFECTIVE DATE shall be the date on which these Rules come into force, by a General Body, Resolution.

2. HEADQUARTERS:

The Headquarters of the Association shall be located at Cricket Center, Wankhede Stadium, Churchgate, Mumbai 400 020.

3. MEMBERSHIP AND JURISDICTION OF MEMBERS:

A) <u>Membership</u> :-

a. The Association shall consist of:

(i) Patron (ii) Honorary Life Members (iii) Donor Members (iv) Ordinary Members and (v) Associate Members.

b. **<u>Patron</u>** : His Excellency the Governor of Maharashtra State shall be invited to be the Patron of the Association.

c. **<u>Honorary Members</u> :** The Committee may invite a distinguished visitor or any other person of distinction interested in the game who has rendered meritorious services to the Association as an Honorary Member for such period as the Apex Council may deem expedient.

d. **Donor Members** : Any person who has completed the age of 21 years and who pays Rs. 10,00,000/- or more to the Association may on applying in the form prescribed by the Apex Council be enrolled by the Committee as Donor Member.

e. **Ordinary Members** :

(i) Club Membership :- Any Club playing the game shall be eligible to be enrolled as an Ordinary Member of the Association after remaining as Associate Member for not less than three years.

Existing Ordinary Members of the Association eligible for voting will remain as Ordinary Members of the MCA subject to the following conditions :-

a) They are not violating any Rules and Regulations of the Association,

b) They are not part of full or Associate Membership of either of BCCI or any other State Association. However, Clubs which are part of full or Associate Membership of either of BCCI or any other State Association shall be eligible to remain Associate Members subject to satisfying the Rules for Associate Membership

Any club which is Associate member for continuous period of three years can apply for Ordinary Membership of the Association and application will be considered subject to availability of vacancy.

Grant for Ordinary Membership shall be subject to availability of adequate facilities with MCA.

All Associate Clubs wanting to be Ordinary members will be put on the Waiting list for Ordinary members to be considered.

(ii) International Players Membership :-

Automatic Membership shall be granted to any interested former international players (male or female), hailing from the jurisdiction of MCA provided he/she has not already opted for membership of another Association.

f. **Associate Members** : Any Club which has actually played matches without conceding a walkover at any stage in the tournaments registered with the Association for a continuous period of not less than three years prior to the date of the application shall be eligible to apply to be enrolled as an Associate Member of the Association.

At the time of this amendment coming in force, any club which does not satisfy this condition shall be automatically relegated to Associate Membership.

Grant of Associate Membership shall be subject to availability of adequate facilities with MCA.

All clubs wanting to be Associate members will be put on the Waiting list of Associate members to be considered. However such clubs will not have any right in the Association.

g. No Member either Ordinary or Associate shall be affiliated, or its affiliation continued, unless it is registered as a Public Trust not for profit under the Maharashtra Public Trusts Act, 1950 or as a not for profit Company registered u/s 8 of the Companies Act, 2013. This condition shall be complied, except by the Office and school college Clubs, within 3 months of coming into force the amendment in respect of all existing Affiliated Members. Failure to comply will result in loss of Affiliation.

h. All ordinary and Associate Members under Club Category shall be classified into the following Sub Categories (a) Office (b) Maidan and (c) School/College. The decision of the Apex Council in this respect shall be final and binding on all the parties.

i. An application for being enrolled as a Member in any category except Patron, Honorary Member and Donor Member of the Association shall be made in the form prescribed by the Apex Council and shall be proposed by the representative of an Ordinary Member and seconded by another such representative and shall further be accompanied by an entrance fee of Rs.5,000/- and one year's subscription.

Ordinary and Associate Members classified as Office Clubs shall pay Rs.1,000/- and other Ordinary and Associate Clubs shall pay Rs.500/- as annual subscription before 30th April, each year.

j. The filling up of vacancy in Ordinary Members in any sub category, for any reason, shall be filled up by Associate Member falling under the same sub-category, from the permanent register kept with the MCA of the Associate

member, in order of serial number, as per the said register, subject to rule (3-A-l).

k. The filling up of vacancy in Associate Members in any sub category shall be filled up by any other club falling under the same sub-category.

l. For the purpose of Clause (3-A-j) for filling vacancy in any category under Ordinary Club Membership, the performance in the tournaments conducted by or registered with the Association and the seniority of the Associate Member shall be the criteria for promoting an Associate Member as an Ordinary Member.

m. The Apex Council may accept or reject an application for membership without assigning any reason whatsoever. After rejection of the application, the entrance fee and subscription, if any received with the application shall be refunded.

n. When a person has been admitted as a member of the Association, the Secretary shall notify such person and on request, provide him, with the Copy of Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations of the Association

o. If the Apex Council rejects the application, such club / member can approach Ombudsman/ Ethics officer, whose decision in this matter will be binding on the Association and club/member.

p. A person/club whose application for membership is rejected shall not be eligible for election as a member untill after the expiry of a period of six months from the date of rejection.

q. On the election of a club as an Ordinary Member or Associate Member, it shall appoint an individual not suffering from any legal disability as its Authorised Representative at its General Meetings and/or act for and on behalf of the club in matters pertaining to the Association. Such an individual shall not at one time represent more than one club and shall be Officer Bearer of the Member Club.

r. Any change in the name and address of a Member and / or its representative shall be communicated in writing to the Secretary of the Association, at the Registered Office of the Association during office hours.

The names and address of the representatives registered with the Association 30 days before the date of Annual General Meeting shall be the representative who shall be eligible to attend and vote at any Annual General Meeting.

s. If the annual subscription of any Ordinary Member or an Associate Member, which shall be paid from such club bank account before 31st March each year, remains unpaid upto 30th April, a penalty of Rs. 500/- for the first year and Rs. 1,000/- for the second year, shall be levied on the defaulter.
If the arrears of subscription and the penalty or any part thereof shall remain unpaid at the end of the second year, the membership of the Defaulter Member shall automatically stand terminated without any notice.

t. No representative of an Ordinary Member club, whose subscription is in arrears and is not received seven days before the date of a General Meeting, shall be entitled to vote at General Meeting or be elected to Apex Council or any Committee.

u. The Apex Council may re-admit such a removed member after receiving all the arrears of the penalty of aforesaid or any amount due to the Association. The Committee at its discretion may readmit such a defaulting member upon receipt of the entire arrears of subscription and any other amount due and payable to the Association together with a penalty of Rs.5,000/- but not later than three years from the date of default.

v. A member desiring to resign from the Association shall inform the Secretary in writing.

w. If any member or its representative or its members, shall wilfully refuse or neglect to comply with any provision or rules or shall be guilty of such conduct likely to endanger the harmony or affect the character, stability or interest of the Association or the game of cricket, such a member or its representative or its members shall be liable for action under Rule 41 (1) (b) of the present rules

x. If any Ordinary Member is inactive in terms of Rule (3-A-f), the membership of such Ordinary Member shall be relegated to Associate Membership, automatically. An Associate Member shall be promoted as an Ordinary Member

in its place. The decision of the Apex Council as to such relegation and filling up vacancy shall be final.

y. If any Associate Member is inactive in terms of Rule (3-A-f), the membership of such Associate member shall automatically stand terminated. The decision of the Apex Council removing such Associate Member from membership of the Association shall be final and binding.

z. Any Ordinary or Associate Member aggrieved by decision under Rule (3-A-x) and (3-A-y) can approach Ombudsman/ Ethics Officer, whose decision in this matter will be binding on the Association and club/member.

aa. A member expelled or removed under this rule shall forfeit all rights in and claim upon the Association.

bb. Pending expulsion or removal it shall be in the power of the Apex Council to suspend such member from the Association for a period not exceeding eight weeks.

cc. A member expelled or removed under this rule may on his application made within two years after expulsion, may be readmitted by a resolution taken at a meeting of the General Body specially convened for the purpose provided however that three fourth of the members present and vote for readmission of such member, provided further that an Ordinary Member shall be readmitted only as an Associate Member.

dd. A person ceasing to be member by any of the provisions of these Rules and Regulations shall forfeit all rights but shall nevertheless remain liable for and shall pay to the Association all money, which at the time his ceasing to be a member may be due to the Association.

AA) Number of Ordinary Club Members and Associate Members at any time shall not exceed 350 and 50 respectively.

B) <u>Annual Updates :</u>

All the Members shall, on or before 15th of October of each year, inform and update the Association as the name of their Authorised Representative and Member of their

Executive Committees by whatever name called, their respective tenures, the Audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheets to maintain accountability and transparency.

4 VOTE AND ACCOUNTS OF TOURNAMENTS

a. The Patron, Honorary Members, Donor Members and Associate Members shall be entitled to receive notice on their addresses with MCA, of any general meeting and to attend and speak at General Meetings but shall have no right to vote at General Meetings.

b. An Ordinary Member shall be entitled to receive notice of General Meetings at their addresses with MCA. However, in case of office and school college ordinary members, such notices shall be sent to the office of such offices and to the school colleges (and not on individual representative address of such office members or school/ college address) and the duly nominated representative of an Ordinary Club Member shall be entitled to attend and vote at General Meetings and subject to Rules 14 to be elected to the Apex Council.

c. Each Ordinary Club Member shall have one vote, to be exercised through its authorised representative. Authorised Representative shall not at one time represent more than one club.

d. No proxy voting shall be allowed during meetings.

e. A Member, required to submit the annual or other accounts, balance sheet or statement of expenditure either under these rules or under the Rules of the tournament/match, or under the resolutions or decisions of the Association relating to any grant/subsidy, fails to submit the accounts or statement of expenditure relating to such grant, tournament, match or otherwise, within period stipulated thereunder, shall not be entitled to any further financial grants/subsidy from the Association till the requirement is complied with.

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

CHAPTER TWO: THE GENERAL BODY AND OFFICE BEARERS AND THEIR POWERS & FUNCTIONS

5. CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION

(1) The General Body is constituted of Ordinary Members and Associate Members of the Association.

(2) The authorized Representatives of the various Ordinary Club Members shall cast their votes on behalf of their respective Clubs. International Player Members shall have right to vote. The Associate Members shall have no right to vote.

(3) All powers of governance, management and decision-making shall vest in the General Body. In addition to the powers already given to the Apex Council, the Governing Council and the CEO under these Rules, the General Body may delegate such powers as it deems fit to any of them.

(4) In addition to, and without prejudice to the generality of powers vested in it, the General Body shall have the power:

(a) To collect funds and wherever necessary borrow, with or without security, for purposes of the Association and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such security.

(b) To lay down the playing conditions in Mumbai and to make alterations, amendments or additions therein whenever desirable or necessary.

(c) To direct and control the Governing Council, to lend oversight and assistance to the T20 Mumbai League or any other Premier League conducted by the Council and to ensure that the interests of the Association, franchises and the players are protected.

(d) To review any decision of the Apex Council or the Governing Council.

(e) Generally to do all such other acts and things as may appear to the General Body to be expedient, convenient and/or conducive to the *carrying out of the above functions of the Association.*

ELECTION & TERM OF OFFICE BEARERS

(1) The following Office Bearers of the Association shall be elected by the Ordinary Members of the Association at an Annual General Meeting:

(a) The President

(b) The Vice-President

(c) The Secretary

(d) The Joint Secretary

(e) The Treasurer

In case of the President or the Vice President, the person offering himself for the post shall not be below the age of 35 years.

(2) The Term of office of an Office Bearer of the Association shall be 3 years. Their position shall be Honorary.

(3) No person shall be an Office Bearer in any state association regardless of post for more than 3 terms in all.

(4) An Officer Bearer who has held any post for two consecutive terms either in any State Association or in the BCCI (or combination of both) shall not be eligible to contest any further election without completing a cooling off period of three years. During the Cooling off period, such an office bearer shall not be a member of the Governing council or of any Committee whatsoever of any State Association or of the BCCI

(5) A person shall be disqualified from being an Office Bearer, a member of the Governing Council or any other Committee or representative to BCCI or similar organisation if he or she:

(a) Is not a citizen of India;

(b) Has attained the age of 70 years;

(c) Is declared to be insolvent, or of unsound mind;

(d) Is a Minister or Government Servant or holds a Public Office ;

(e) Holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;

(f) Has been an Office Bearer of the Association or any other Association for a cumulative period of 9 years or of BCCI for a cumulative period of 9 years;

(g) Has been charged by a court of law for having committed any criminal offence ie an order framing charges has been passed

by a Court of Law having competent jurisdiction

7. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS:

(1) THE PRESIDENT

(a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the General Body and the Apex Council.

(b) The President shall be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financial statements of the Association.

(c) The President shall also exercise such functions and duties as he may be empowered with by the General Body or the Apex Council.

(d) The President shall, in the event of a vacancy or indisposition of an Office Bearer, delegate the functions to another Office Bearer until the vacancy is duly filled up, or the indisposition ceases.

(2) THE VICE PRESIDENT

(a) The Vice President shall officiate in the President's absence when the President is unavailable.

(b) The Vice President shall also exercise such functions and duties as he may be empowered with by the General Body or the Apex Council.

(3) THE SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:

(a) shall take out the agenda of all meetings, in consultation with the President or Vice president. Keep and maintain the minutes of Annual General and Special General Meetings of the General Body, the Meetings of the Apex Council and of the Committees appointed by the General Body in appropriate books and shall cause them to be properly and correctly recorded and confirmed.

(b) Be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financial statements of the Association.

(c) Be in charge of the records of the General Body, the Apex Council, the Governing Council and all Committees, and such properties as may be entrusted to his care by the Association, the Apex Council or the Governing Council as the case may be.

(d) Convene the Annual General Meeting, the Special General Meeting and the Meetings of the Apex Council, Standing Committees and

Governing Council with the concurrence of the President.

(e) Circulate to all Members of the Association the statement of accounts prepared by the Treasurer.

(f) Have the power to delegate any work to the Honorary Joint Secretary.

(g) Sign all contracts for and on behalf of the Association, after same are approved by the Apex Council or the General body and carry on all correspondence in the name of the Association save as otherwise directed by the Apex Council.

(4) THE JOINT SECRETARY

The Joint Secretary shall:

(a) Convene and keep minutes of the Committees that may be placed in his charge at the Annual General Meeting or by the Secretary.

(b) Assist the Secretary in all matters pertaining to the affairs of the Association.

(5) THE TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

(a) Receive all subscriptions and donations and the monies payable and / or receivable by the MCA;

(b) Be one of the three persons who sign the annual accounts and other financial statements of the Association.

(c) Keep accounts of all monies received and expended by the MCA, in respect of assets, credits and liabilities of the MCA.

(d) Prepare statement of accounts.

(e) Place before the Apex Council:

(i) Annual Balance Sheet;

(ii) Statement of Accounts of the MCA;

(iii) Annual Budget;

(f) Place before the Apex council and before the Annual General Meeting duly audited and approved by the Apex council:

(i) Annual Balance Sheet;

(ii) Statement of Accounts of the MCA;

(g) Invest and/or disburse the funds of the MCA, except routine and day to day expenses and statutory payments, with the approval of the Finance Committee appointed by the Apex council, to withdraw any or all of the existing fixed deposits before the date of maturity in accordance with any general or special directions of the General Body

or the Apex Council.

(h) Prepare budgets to be presented at the Annual General Meeting, Special General Meetings and Meetings of the Apex Council.

(i) Coordinate with the auditor as well as the CEO to obtain insight into the utilisation of funds by the Ordinary members/ Associate members.

CHAPTER THREE: MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL BODY

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(1) The Annual General Meeting of the General Body shall be held every year, not later than 30th September at such place and time as the President may fix.

(2) Elections and Nominations to the Apex Council shall take place every 3 years at the Annual General Meeting.

(3) The following ordinary business shall be transacted at every Annual General Meeting of the General Body:

(a) to confirm the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and of any Special General Meeting held during the year .

(b) Adoption of the Report of the Secretary for the year under review.

(c) Adoption of the Treasurer's Report and the audited accounts for the year under review.

(d) Adoption of the Annual Budget.

(e) Appointment of Auditor or Auditors for the year and fix their remuneration.

(f) Appointment of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer.

(g) Appointment of the Cricket Committees and Standing Committees as mentioned in Rules 26 and 25 respectively.

(h) (i) Consideration of the Report and recommendations of the Apex Council, the CEO and the Committees and to propose policy directions to the Apex Council.

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

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

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

(i) Consideration of any motion, notice whereof is given by a Ordinary Member to the Secretary twenty-one days before the meeting. (Such a motion shall be circulated in advance to all members.

(j) To appoint the MCA's Representative on BCCI Conference or Similar Conference

(k) (i) Consideration of any other business which the President may consider necessary to be included in the agenda.

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

(4) The record of the proceedings of the Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings shall, after the approval of the Chairperson of the Meeting be circulated within two months of the Meeting to the Members of the MCA and then entered in the Minutes Book. The minutes shall be duly confirmed after correction, if any, and signed by the Chairperson at the subsequent Annual General Meeting.

(5) The Secretary shall, at least Twenty One (21) days prior to the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting, forward to each member a notice setting out the agenda of business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting along with:

(a) Copies of the Minutes of the previous meeting or meetings to be confirmed at the Annual General meeting;

(b) Copies of audited Statement of Accounts to be adopted and to be passed at the Annual General Meeting;

(c) Copies of the audited Statement of Accounts of any tour or tours;

(d) Treasurer's Reports and the Annual Budget;

(e) Report of the Ombudsman; and

(f) Copies of all documents and papers having a reference to any item on the Agenda of the General Meeting;

(6) Any Member desiring to raise any point relating to the Agenda or Accounts at the Annual General Meeting shall give seven days' notice thereof to the Secretary. The Secretary shall circulate such notice to all Members by sending it at least four clear days before the date fixed for the meeting.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

(1) A Special General Meeting of the General Body may be convened by the Secretary:

(a) on a directive of the President,

(b) on a resolution of the Apex Council, or

(c) on a requisition signed by not less than 30 Ordinary Members specially stating the business to be transacted at such Meeting.

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

(2) In the event of the Secretary failing to convene a Special General Meeting within thirty days of the receipt of a requisition, the requisitionists may themselves convene a Meeting for the purpose specified in the requisition at such place and time as may be decided by the requisitionists.

(3) The President may at his discretion direct the Secretary to convene a Special General Meeting at shorter notice in which case a notice of at least 10 days shall be given.

(4) For any Special General Meeting the Secretary shall give twenty one days, clear notice specifying the business to be transacted at that meeting.

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

(6) If special general meeting requisitioned as per 1 (c) above, by Ordinary members is not held in 21 days after receipt of the notice, the requisitionists may call the meeting themselves with 8 days notice and the decisions taken at such meetings will be binding on the Apex council and full members of the Association. (once the requistion is deposited with the Association, no members will be allowed to withdraw his support for calling such meeting, otherwise the meeting will stand invalid.) For such meeting only the matter on the agenda will be discussed and decided.

10. QUORUM AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

(1) Thirty Ordinary Members present and entitled to vote shall be a quorum for an Annual General Meeting. No business shall be transacted at the Annual General Meeting unless the quorum requisite is present at the commencement of the business of the meeting. If within an hour from the time appointed for the Annual General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened after half an hour If the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present within an half an hour from the time of the meeting, the Ordinary Members present shall form the quorum.

(2) For a Special General Meeting 30 Ordinary Members, present and entitled to vote shall be quorum. If no quorum is present at the appointed time of the meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned for half an hour. If at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present, the Ordinary Members present shall form the quorum.

11. CHAIRPERSON AT MEETINGS

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

12. VOTING AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS / SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

(1) At the Annual General Meeting / Special General Meeting, each Ordinary Member and former international cricketer shall have one vote. The Associate Members shall have no vote.

(2) At an Annual General Meeting / Special General Meeting, a resolution placed before the Meeting duly moved and seconded shall be put to vote and shall be decided either on a show of hands or by a secret ballot as the Chairperson may decide and also if such secret ballot is demanded by at least five Ordinary Members attending the meeting and entitled to vote. The declaration by the Chairman of the meeting that a resolution has been carried unanimously or by a particular majority and an entry to that effect in the books of the proceedings of the Association shall be conclusive evidence of

the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.

(3) If a poll is demanded as aforesaid it shall be taken in such a manner and at such time and place as the Chairman of the meeting directs either at once or after an interval or adjournment or otherwise. The result of the poll shall be deemed to be resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded

(4) The demand for a poll may be withdrawn in case of any dispute as to the admission or rejection of a vote, the Chairman shall determine the same and such determination shall be final and conclusive.

(5) The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting save and except under sub-rule (3) above for transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll has been demanded. No poll shall be demanded on the election of a Chairman of a meeting and poll demanded on a question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting.

(6) Any question decided at a General Meeting shall not be reopened at any subsequent meeting until after the expiry of six months.

13. CASTING VOTE OR DRAWING LOTS

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

CHAPTER FOUR: GOVERNANCE

14. THE APEX COUNCIL

(1) There shall be an Apex Council for the MCA which shall be primarily responsible for the governance of the affairs of the Association.

(2) The Apex Council shall comprise of 17 Councillors of whom 5 shall be the elected Office Bearers as per Rule 6 and the remaining 12 shall be:

(a) Nine to be elected by the Ordinary Members of the MCA;

(b) Two, one male and one female, to be nominated by the Cricket Player's Association from amongst those of its members who hail from the jurisdiction of MCA

(c) One to be nominated by Accountant General of Maharashtra from among the serving senior functionaries of the office, co-terminus with the nominee's tenure;

(3) A person shall be disqualified from continuing as Councillor if he or she:

i. Is not a citizen of India;

ii. Has attained the age of 70 years;

iii. Is declared to be insolvent, or of unsound mind;

iv. Is a Minister or a government servant or holds public office [except for the nominee under Rule 14(2)(c)];

v. Holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;

vi. Has been an Office Bearer of the MCA or any other state association for a cumulative period of 9 years or office bearer of the BCCI for a cumulative period of 9 years;

vii. Has been charged by a Court of Law for having committed any criminal offence ie an order framing charges has been passed by court of law having competent jurisdiction

(4) Each of the elected Councillors shall have a term of 3 years in office, subject to a maximum of 3 Terms on the Apex Council. A councillor who has held any post for two consecutive terms either in a State Association or in BCCI (or combination of both) shall not be eligible to contest any further election without completing a cooling off period of three years. During the cooling off

period, such a councillor shall not be a member of Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of MCA or the BCCI or of any other State Association. The expression "Councillor" should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in MCA or in BCCI or in any other state association as the case may be.

(5) No individual, including one filling up a vacancy under Sub-Rule (9) below shall be a Councillor for more than 9 years. In the event of a Councillor completing 9 years before the expiry of his term, he shall cease to hold office on completion of 9 years.

(6) No nominated Councillor shall have more than one term of 3 years.

(7) Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in these Rules, a former President of the MCA shall not be entitled to be elected or nominated to the Apex Council in any capacity except for a second and final term as President, subject to sub-Rules (4) and (5) above.

(8) No Councillor, once elected, shall hold any office in any other Association/s or BCCI. The Ordinary Members shall take steps to fill up the vacancy so created immediately.

(9) Any vacancy in the Apex Council due to death, resignation, insolvency, unsoundness of mind, nomination to the BCCI or other disqualification shall be filled up for the remaining period:

a. In the case of an elected Councillor, by elections at a Special General Body meeting of the MCA convened by the Secretary for that purpose within 45 days;

b. In the case of a nominated Councillor, in the same manner as prescribed for the respective nominee in Rule 14(2) above;

(10) For the purposes of the Societies Registration Act, the governing body of the MCA shall be the Apex Council.

15. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE APEX COUNCIL

(1) The affairs of the Association shall be governed by the Apex Council and its framework of governance shall:

i. Enable strategic guidance of the entity;

ii. Ensure efficient monitoring of management;

iii. Ensure the performance of the respective roles, responsibilities and powers of the CEO, Managers, Cricket Committees and Standing Committees, except the Governing Council

iv. Ensure a distribution and balance of authority so that no single individual has unfettered powers;

(2) The Apex Council shall have all the powers of the General Body and authority and discretion to do all acts and things except such acts as by these rules are expressly directed or required to be done by the General Body. Exercise of such powers, authorities and discretion shall be subject to the control and regulation of the General Body. No regulation shall retrospectively invalidate any act of the Apex Council which was otherwise valid.

(3) The Apex Council shall exercise superintendence over the CEO, the Cricket Committees and the Standing Committees in the discharge of their duties generally, and in particular, in accordance with any general or special direction of the General Body, except for the Governing Council of the T20 Mumbai League whenever which is directly accountable to the General Body.

(4) In addition to and without prejudice to the generality of powers conferred directly or by necessary implication under these Rules and regulations and the Memorandum of Association, the Apex Council shall exercise the powers and perform the duties hereafter mentioned:

a. To control, permit and regulate all aspects regarding visits of invitee teams in area controlled by MCA, visits of teams within India and outside India and to settle terms on which such visits shall be conducted

b. To lay down conditions on which Players shall take part in any tournament and by which such players should be governed, including terms of payment of such Players

c. To control, expand and regulate the finances of MCA

d. To institute or defend any action or proceedings for or against the MCA or against any Office-Bearer or employee of the MCA.

e. To mediate in regard to issues between Members, failing resolution of which a reference may be made the Ombudsman;

f. To interact and consult with the Cricket Players' Association regarding representations made on their behalf.

g. To purchase, sell and/or mortgage, exchange and/or otherwise dispose of immovable property wherever situated, in order to promote the objects of the MCA subject to obtaining prior approval from Charity Commissioner / Other Government Authorities wherever necessary in accordance with prevailing Legislations applicable to the MCA on date of transaction and conditions and limitations as may be imposed by such Authority.

h. To ensure that the funds, income and property of the Association save as specially provided applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Association. No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus, interest, grant, share or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of the Association save as specially provided

i. To collect funds and whenever necessary borrow not exceeding 25% of the General Fund with or without security for purposes of the Association and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such security subject to obtaining prior approval from Charity Commissioner / Other Government Authorities wherever necessary in accordance with prevailing Legislations applicable to the MCA on date of transaction and conditions and limitations as may be imposed by such Authority

j. To fill up, any vacancy occurring in a Committee by reason of death or being adjudged insolvent or being of unsound mind or being convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude or by resignation or by any other disqualification of a member or representative of member club. It is clarified that remaining members shall constitute a valid committee till such vacancy is filled up in the next 45 days, in special general body meeting as per rule 14(9).

k. To frame rules and lay down conditions including those of travel, accommodation and allowances under which Mumbai Players shall

take part in cricket tournaments/matches or Exhibition, Festival and Charity matches organized by the MCA

l. To frame rules regarding the appointment, service conditions and disciplinary action concerning employees and officers of the MCA.

m. To make the Tournament Rules for various tournaments and exhibition matches involving Members

n. To frame rules for the appointment of Managers, Secretaries, Administrative Officers, Peons and other service personnel and staff and for payment to them and other persons in return for their services rendered to the MCA, salaries, wages, gratuities, pensions, honorariums, compensations, any ex-gratia payment and/or provident fund and to regulate discipline by suspending, fining, removing or dismissing such employees

o. To make rules generally for the management of the affairs of the MCA.

p. To start or sponsor and/or to subscribe to funds or stage a match for the benefit of cricketers or persons who may have rendered service to the game of cricket or for their families or to donate for the development or promotion of the game to be regulated by rules framed in this regard from time to time.

q. To appoint one of its members to represent the Association on BCCI and/or on any other Body or Institution or Committee and / or to attend meetings

r. To either on its own, or through its delegate, entertain, hear and decide administrative appeals by employees or other directly affected parties against the orders of the CEO or the Cricket Committees as the case may be.

s. To carry out object of the Association specified in the Memorandum of Association

t. To subscribe to funds for the benefit of cricketers who may have rendered services to the game of cricket and for their families or to donate to institution a sum not exceeding Rs. 5000/- or to a Fund sponsored by BCCI or by State Government or by Central Government relating to game of cricket, a sum as may be decided by the Council from time to time. The Council may decide the quantum of donation either from its general fund or from the Benevolent fund

u. To maintain a library of books and periodicals on Sports and Cricket in particular and to start journal or journals and make donations to the library not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000/- in any one year

v. To Give financial assistance to Ordinary Members, Associate Members, Schools and Colleges not exceeding 10% of the net income in any financial year subject to any limit as may be prescribed by law in force applicable to the Association

w. To make, repeal, amend or add to all necessary Regulations and Bye-Laws not inconsistent with these rules. Such Regulations and Bye-Laws shall remain to force until all or any of them are altered or repeated at a General Meeting.

x. To prohibit any act or practice by any members or by cricketer which in the opinion of the Committee is detrimental to the interest of the game

y. To fix rates for sitting accommodation for witnessing cricket matches and if the Council considers desirable to alot seats to members club

z. To execute, sign, seal, deliver or cause to be executed signed, sealed and delivered all such agreements, deeds, documents and assurance under the signature of CEO, as may be necessary to carry out the objects of the Association

aa. Generally to do all such other acts and things which are delegated to it by the Association and all other functions to be expedient, convenient and/or conducive to the carrying out of the above functions of the Apex Council.

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

(5) The Apex Council shall meet at least once every month at such time and place and shall conduct proceedings in such manner as it may from time to time decide.

(6) A Special Meeting of the Apex Council may be convened at any time by the President and shall be convened on a requisition to that effect being made in

writing by not less than three Councillors. Any such requisition shall express the object of the meeting proposed to be called and shall be sent to the Secretary.

(7) Seven days clear notice of the Meeting of the Apex Council together with the Agenda shall be given to the Councillors. For a Special Meeting of the Apex Council convened for the purposes stated in Sub-Rule(5) above, four days' clear notice shall be given. An Emergent meeting of the Apex Council may be convened with Two days' notice.

(8) Five members of the Apex Council shall form a quorum for its meetings. The President or in his absence a member elected by those present at the meeting shall be the Chairperson. In the event of a tie, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.

(9) A resolution by circulation by all members of the Apex Council shall be as valid and effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Apex Council. Such a resolution shall be ratified at the next meeting of the Apex Council.

(10) The Secretary shall keep the minutes of every Meeting in a book which shall be signed by the Chairperson when approved.

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

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

17. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS

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

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

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

CHAPTER FIVE: MANAGEMENT

19. ADMINISTRATION OF THE MCA

(1) Mumbai shall be the administrative headquarters where the office of the MCA shall be permanently situated.

(2) The Governing Council of the T20 Mumbai League or any League by whatever name called shall be accountable directly to the General Body and not to the CEO or the Apex Council.

20. NON-CRICKETING MATTERS

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

(2) The CEO shall be assisted by Managers as may be appointed under Rule 23.

21. CRICKETING MATTERS

(1) The management of cricketing matters such as selections, coaching and evaluation of team performance shall be exclusively handled by the Cricket Committees comprising only of former first class Players as set out in Rule 26.

(2) The management, evaluation and selection of umpires shall be done by the Umpires Committee comprising only of past BCCI panel Umpires as set out in Rule 27.

(3) The reports of the Cricket and Umpires Committees shall be sent to the CEO for being forwarded to the Apex Council, but the CEO shall not in any way be involved in the preparation, approval or amendment of the same.

22. EFFICIENCY IN FUNCTIONING

(1) The bankers, lawyers and others offering professional services to the MCA shall be appointed in a fair and transparent manner, and may be changed from time to time, as the MCA may deem expedient.

(2) The bank account of the MCA shall be operated by the Treasurer along with the Joint Secretary and in the absence of the Joint Secretary, by the Secretary.

THE CEO

(1) The day-to-day management of the affairs of the MCA shall vest in a full time CEO to be appointed by the Apex Council, who shall be a management professional with management experience of at least 5 years as the CEO/MD of a company with a turnover of at least Rs. 100 Crores. If the CEO is appointed before the approval and registration of these rules, he shall continue as CEO, till his replacement is found under these rules.

(2) The CEO shall be assisted by not more than 6 full-time professionals (Managers) who shall be appointed by the Apex Council in consultation with the CEO essentially to govern the streams of finance, technical, infrastructure, law, media and human resources. The CEO may however realign or reallot these streams as he deems fit.

(3) The eligibility criteria for the CEO and Managers shall be laid down by the Apex Council keeping in mind the following guidelines:

a. Knowledge and familiarity with cricket or other sports;
b. Understanding of financial position and fiscal direction of the MCA;
c. Knowledge of operations of cricket administration and overall policy;
d. Clarity on role, division of responsibilities and hierarchy;
e. Familiarity with regulatory and legal responsibilities as well as attendant risks;

(4) There shall be an appropriate induction process laid down by the Apex Council for the CEO and the Managers, which shall include a fair and transparent process of appointment.

24. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CEO

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

(1) To implement all the Rules and Regulations made by the Governing Body and the Apex Council in regard to non-cricketing matters;

(2) To issue guidelines in respect of travel, accommodation, allowances, etc., to be paid to players, support staff and officials participating in matches, other than international matches;

(3) To lease and manage immovable property of the MCA wherever situated, in order to promote the objects of the MCA.

(4) To lay down parameters for the laying of grounds for playing the game and to provide pavilion, canteen and other conveniences and amenities in connection therewith.

(5) To appoint logistic managers for Mumbai teams.

(6) To secure Players' welfare to ensure that the logistics manager will arrange for accommodation and travel, to ensure that tickets given to Players travelling for matches will be on par with those given to the Members.

(7) To ensure that all measures are adopted to eliminate any form of racial, communal, casteist or other hatred from the game, with stringent action taken against the offenders including the initiation of criminal proceedings.

(8) To start and maintain a library of books, periodicals, DVDs and other databases on Sports in general and Cricket in particular, and to publish journals, books and other material as well as the official website of the MCA.

(9) To produce by itself the Cricket content for telecast of cricket matches and/or ceremonies by hiring or owning equipment and hiring necessary crew, technicians, etc.

(10) To publicize the stadium capacity of all stadia across the country with compulsory seat numbers, to provide transparent online and offline ticket booking services with reasonably priced tickets and maximize the access of the public to the games.

(11) To provide at stadiums, wholesome and hygienic food and beverages at affordable rates, clean and hygienic restrooms for all genders and for the differently-abled, adequate fire and emergency entries and corridors, sufficient access avenues and wheelchairs for the differently-abled, proper signage, parking and transport facilities as well as efficient security systems.

(12) To arrange and organize the tournaments or for any Exhibition matches between members and / or regulations and bye-laws in respect of travel, accommodation, allowances to be paid to players and officials participating in such matches.

(13) To frame guidelines generally for the convenience and ease of day-to-day management of affairs of the MCA.

(14) To prescribe guidelines to lay out or convert any ground into high quality turf wickets at all levels in all areas of the under the control of MCA and to provide Pavilions, Canteens, Public Conveniences and other amenities with disabled access and suitable signage, especially to involve more Indians in the game of cricket and to encourage participation of all sections of society.

(15) To assist the Cricket Committees and facilitate the implementation of their tasks and recommendations.

(16) To collate monthly reports concerning the functioning of the various Committees, to create action plans in advance and upload the same on the website of the MCA.

(17) To create a database of all cricketers at all levels, maintain records and statistics, track performances and certify age and identity of participants.

(18) To take steps to create world class infrastructure at all levels in all areas under MCA Jurisdiction. To coordinate with State associations, to conduct tournaments, to provide better access to the public, with particular reference to women and the disabled.

(19) To put in place mechanisms to encourage Mumbai cricketers to play internationally and hone their skills so that a wider talent pool is available to represent the country.

(20) To enter transparently into contracts with third parties and vendors for the purposes of the various Committees of the MCA, and to ensure that in all contracts for television and media rights, the interests of the public remain uncompromised, and full, unhindered broadcasts of all deliveries and their replays are shown.

(21) To report to the Apex Council every quarter or as often as required by the Apex Council on the functioning of the management and the progress made in developing cricket in India.

(22) To consider the reports of the Auditor, to verify whether Full Members are meeting their objectives and to assess whether cricket is being suitably developed and promoted across the country.

(23) To consider all applications for financial aid or any other benevolence to cricketers, Umpires and administrators as per the rules framed by the General Body in this behalf from time to time and recommend the same to the Apex Council for their approval.

(24) To examine all the expenditure exceeding the Budget and to control such outlays as are required for the proper administration of the MCA.

(25) To advise the MCA regarding investments.

(26) To process requests made for increase in all types of allowances, subventions/subsidies to be paid to the Associations, tariff for Coaching Camps, Coaching Subsidies to the Associations, allowance to the players for matches of different Trophies and when playing against foreign sides, both at home and away and to recommend the same to the Apex Council.

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

25. THE STANDING COMMITTEES :-

(1) The Standing Committee are the Committees that provide guidance and advice on behalf of the members to the CEO

(2) The Standing Committees are

(A) Kanga league and Tournament committee.

(B) Stadium and Maidan Committee.

(C) Finance and Tender Committee.

(D) Legal, Constitution and staff Committee.

(E) Protest and disciplinary Committee.

(F) Registration of players committee

The Apex council shall appoint the above standing committees, after every General body. In addition to above, the Association shall have additional committees as required from time to time.

A) The Kanga League and Tournament Committee:

(i) The Apex Council shall form a Tournament Committee consisting of five members, after every Annual General Body meeting.

(ii) The Committee shall co ordinate with Cricket advisory/ improvement committee and advice the CEO:-

a. To supervise all the activities relating to the tournaments arranged within the Association.

b. To formulate the rules under which tournaments are to be conducted and played

c. To organize and conduct tournaments/ matches between the affiliated clubs in accordance with their respective Rules.

d. To decide the time and dates on which tournaments to be conducted

e. To display list of approved tournaments and calendar thereof on the website

(iii) The term of Tournament Committee will be a minimum of one year, which may be extended to a maximum term of three years, by the Apex council.

(iv) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the Tournament Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council immediately after the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

(i) The Committee shall, subject to any direction of the Apex Council, advice the CEO :-

a. Making of draws and fixing of dates and venues in respect of tournaments conducted by MCA
b. to fix charges for Grounds allotted for tournaments
c. to display the list of centers/grounds allotted for tournaments
d. Considering the laws of the game and amendments thereto, experimental laws, technical matters that may be referred to it by the General Body and maters regarding the Laws of the game to be discussed at the BCCI

(ii) The term of The Tour, Fixtures & Technical Committee will be a minimum of one year, which may be extended to a maximum term of three years at Annual General Meeting.

(iii) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council immediately after the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

26. THE CRICKET COMMITTEES:-

(1) The Cricket Committees are the Committees comprised exclusively of former Players who are tasked with the Selection, Coaching and Evaluation of Team Performances.

(2) The Cricket Committees are :

A) The Cricket Improvement Committee (CIC) :

(i) Cricket Improvement Committee shall consist of THREE reputed former international cricketers identified by the MCA at Annual General Meeting.

(ii) Cricket Improvement Committee shall

(a) appoint the Selection Committees.
(b) appoint Head Coach of each of the Mumbai Teams
(c) advise the MCA on pertinent issues in domestic cricket
(d) Formulate and issue general criteria for selection of players

(e) Designate and declare in advance, in case of league, the divisio... in league tournaments as selection matches, and in case of Knock... out tournaments, rounds (such as matches quarterfinal onwards) in such tournaments as selection matches

(f) Recommend any out standing player to CEO, to allow him to play in any ongoing selection match, with special permission, for assessmemt of his class and performance.

(g) advise the MCA on issues not covered by the scope of any of the other Committees

(h) report their recommendations to the Apex Council

B) The Men's Selection Committees :

(i) The Men's Selection Committees for Ranji Trophy and Under 23, shall consist of FIVE persons to be appointed by a Cricket Advisory / Improvement Committee subject to the criteria mentioned herein below.

(ii) Every member of the Men's Selection Committee should have played a minimum of seven Test matches or Thirty First Class Matches or Ten One day International Matches and twenty First Class Matches. Every Member of the Men's Selection Committee should have retired from the game at least five years previously. The Senior most player among the members shall be appointed as a Chairperson.

(iii) The Men's Selection Committee shall :-

(a) select players for the Senior Mumbai Team for representation for MCA in Domestic tournaments / west zone, One day International, Twenty20 and any other format, keeping in view the selection criteria suggested by the Cricket improvement committee, keeping in view the selection criteria suggested by the Cricket improvement committee.

(b) Shall not select a player, without assessing his class in minimum two selection matches, as designated by the CIC, in the season.

(c) appoint a Captain for the Senior team in each format who shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event there being an equality of votes for the appointment of Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casing vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the selection of players, the Captains' wishes in that regard shall prevail. On outstation

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

(d) to vet and select Assistance Coaches and Support Staff for respective teams

(e) to provide evaluation reports of the respective team performance to Apex Council on quarterly basis

(iv) The Selection Process adopted by Selection Committee shall be fair and transparent. All selected candidates shall fill a detailed form, The said disclosure shall be made public and the list of candidates to be considered by the Selection Committee shall also be made public on the website.

(v) The Coaches or any other support staff sought to be appointed by the CIC shall enter into formal contract with the Association, before their appointment specifying in detailed scope of the work, terms of payment and duties Their remuneration should be fixed by the Apex Council prior to their appointment.

(vi) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the Selection Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council, immediately after the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

C) The Junior Cricket Committee

(i) The CIC shall appoint a FIVE member Junior Cricket Committee, each for U-19, U 16 and U14 on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time.

(ii) Only former Players who have played a minimum of 25 First Class games shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 5 years previously. The senior most amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.

D) The Women's Selection Committee:

(i) The MCA shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a FIVE member Selection Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time

(ii) Only former players who have represented the Women's National Team / Mumbai Team shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 5 years previously. The senior most players amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.

(iii) The Women's Selection Committee shall :-

a. selection of players to represent Mumbai Team in all age group in Domestic tournaments / west zone, One day International, Twenty20 and any other format

b. appoint a Captain for respective teams in each format who shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee. The Captain, however, shall not be entitled to vote. In the event there being an equality of votes for the appointment of Captain, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. In the event of there being no majority agreement over the selection of players, the Captains' wishes in that regard shall prevail. On outstation matches/tours, the Cricket Manager / Coach, Captain and Vice-Captain shall constitute the Selection Committee. The Administrative Manager shall convene the meeting and keep a record of the proceedings.

c. to vet and select Assistant Coaches and Support Staff for respective teams

d. to provide evaluation reports of the respective team performance on quarterly basis

(iv) The Selection Process adopted by Selection Committee shall be fair and transparent. All selected candidates shall fill a detailed form, which shall also specify their relation, if any, with the Office bearers and / or Members of the Apex Council, CEO of the Association and any member of Cricketing Committees or with any person concerned with the Association / BCCI or any other state association. The said disclosure shall be made public and the list of candidates to be considered by the Selection Committee shall also be made public on the website.

(v) The Coaches or any other person sought to be appointed by the Association shall enter into formal contract before their appointment specifying in detailed scope of the work, terms of payment and duties including and not restricted to ensure compliance with Justice Lodha Committee recommendations.. Their remuneration should be fixed by the Apex Council prior to their appointment

(vi) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the Selection Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council within 30 days from the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

E) The Women's Cricket Committee:

(i) The MCA shall at Annual General Meeting appoint FIVE member Women's Cricket Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time.

(ii) Only former players who have played at least First Class Cricket shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee. The senior most player amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.

(iii) The Committee shall :

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

(iv) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the WOMEN'S Cricket Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council within 30 days from the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

F) **The Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee**

(i) The MCA shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a THREE member Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time..

(ii) Only former Differently-abled Players who have represented the country in any format of the game shall be eligible to appointed to this Committee. It is preferable that different categories of impairment (visual, physical, etc.) be represented among the members of the Committee. The Senior most among members of the players shall be the Chairperson.

(iii) The Differently-Abled Players Cricket Committee shall, in selection with the Cricket Talent Committee select the Domestic Team across all age groups for representation in Tests, One Day Internationals, Twenty/20 and any other format. In addition, this Committee shall also propose to the CEO the best practices to be inculcated including coaching, counseling and special equipment. This Committee shall also endeavour to bring the various existing cricket associations for various types of impairment under the common umbrella of the MCA and evolve training programmes and raise awareness.

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

(v) The Selection Process adopted by the Committee shall be fair and transparent. All selected candidates shall fill a detailed form, which shall also specify their relation, if any, with the Office bearers and / or Members of the Apex Council, CEO of the Association and any member of Cricketing Committees or with any person concerned with the Association / BCCI or any other state association. The said disclosure shall be made public and the list

of candidates to be considered by the Selection Committee shall also be made public on the website.

(vi) The Coaches or any other person sought to be appointed by the Association shall enter into formal contract before their appointment specifying in detailed scope of the work, terms of payment and duties including and not restricted to ensure compliance with Justice Lodha Committee recommendations.. Their remuneration should be fixed by the Apex Council prior to their appointment

(vii) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the Differently-abled Cricket Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council within 30 days from the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

G) The Cricket Talent Committee

(i) The MCA shall at Annual General Meeting appoint a THREE member Cricket Talent Committee, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time

(ii) Only former Players who have played at least 20 First Class games and have the highest level of coaching certification shall be eligible to appointed to this Committee. The senior most among the Players shall be the Chairperson.

(iii) This Committee shall:

a) Be responsible for scouting for talent in men, junior, women and disabled cricket.

b) Organize the framework within which the Indoor Cricket Academies will be established and perform.

c) Create the programmes and coaching centers for coaching at regional and national levels;

d) Improve infrastructure in all areas of controlled by Association;

e) Make provisions for making the game of cricket accessible to the general public by creating turf wickets, pay-and-play facilities and converting existing fields and grounds into high quality pitches;

f) Encourage the youth to take up cricket by setting up promotional camps and other avenues of engagement with the game;

g) Provide evaluation reports of the targets set and achieved and the details of its programmes to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis;

h) Proper minutes shall be prepared for all meetings of the Cricket Talent Committee, signed by the Chairman of the Committee and submitted with the Apex Council within 30 days from the date of such meetings. Such minutes shall be available for inspection by the members of the Association on any working day during business hours.

(3) No person who has been a member of a Cricket Committee for a total of 5 years shall be eligible to be a member of a Cricket Committees.

(4) No person who has been a member of a Cricket Committee shall write, comment or publicize any discussions or decisions of the Selections made except where so authorized by the Association or the Apex Council. Any violation of this confidentiality provision will invite removal and substitution by the Apex Council.

(5) The Chairpersons of the respective Cricket Committees shall submit a quarterly report to the CEO, which shall then be forwarded by him to the Apex Council for assessment and action, if any.

(6) The Apex Council is empowered to add any further Cricket Committees as may be required.

27. THE UMPIRES COMMITTEE

(1) The Umpires Committee shall consist of THREE persons appointed by the Association at the Annual General Meeting, each of whom shall have been a former International Umpire form India. In the event of such a person not being available, any umpire who has officiated in at least 10 First Class matches shall be eligible to be appointed. No person may be a member of this Committee for more than 5 years. The senior most umpire shall be the Chairperson of the Committee.

(2) The function of the Umpires Committee shall be to standardize umpiring throughout Mumbai and to draw up and maintain a panel of Umpires to officiate matches in Mumbai and classify them into Elite Panel and Normal Panel according to the

merits of the Umpires (subject to reclassification), as per criteria worked out by the Committee. The Committee shall hold examinations from time to time for this purpose.

(3) The Committee shall appoint umpires for all matches played in Mumbai and shall assist Members in the formation of the panels of Umpires in their respective areas. The Committee shall endeavour to promote umpiring by conducting camps and programmes.

(4) The Committee shall draw a format to obtain confidential reports from captains on umpires, match referees or any other designated persons to assess the merits / de-merits of the Umpires.

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

28. GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR T20 MUMBAI LEAGUE / ANY OTHER PREMIER LEAGUE:

(1) The Governing Council for T20 Mumbai League / Any other Premier League shall consist of SEVEN Members who shall be elected at every Annual General Body Meeting of the Association. The term of the members of the Governing Council (Other than the Secretary, Treasurer, Representative of Account General of the State and CEO) shall be one year.

(2) The composition of Governing Council shall be as follows:

i) Four representative of General Body of which two shall be the Secretary and Treasurer, and two others to be elected by the General Body

ii) One representatives of the Cricket Players' Association from amongst *of its members who hail from MCA's jurisdiction (Other than the representatives on the Apex Council)*

iii) The Councillor who is the nominee of Accountant General of Maharashtra on the Apex Council.

iv) The CEO of the MCA

(3) One of the two elected Member representatives shall be the Chairperson of the

(4) Al decisions relating to T20 Mumbai League or any other Premier League would be taken by the Governing Council by majority and in case of equality of votes the Chairperson shall have a casting vote

(5) The Governing Council shall maintain a separate Bank Account which shall be operated by two authorised signatories from out of the list of authorised signatories designated by the Governing Council from amongst the professional management

(6) The Governing Council shall at the following Meeting of General Body, submit the report along with all decisions taken by it.

(7) All the disqualifications which are applicable to the Apex Council shall also apply to members of the Governing Council.

29. INADVERTENT OMMISISON TO GIVE NOTICE OF MEETING

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

30. PERMISSION TO CONDUCT TOURNAMENTS

(1) No member or Club affiliated to MCA shall conduct or organize any tournament or any matches in which players/teams from the region within the jurisdiction of the MCA are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the MCA.

(2) No member or Club affiliated to MCA shall conduct or organize any tournament or any matches in which players/teams from the region outside the jurisdiction of the MCA are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the BCCI.

(3) Permission for conducting or organizing any tournament or match/matches will be accorded only to the members of the MCA and will be in accordance with the rules framed by the BCCI and / or MCA in this regard from time to time.

(4) No Member or Club affiliated to a MCA shall conduct or organize any international Tournament or International match/matches in which foreign players/teams are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the BCCI. Permission for conducting or organizing any International Tournaments or International match/matches will only be accorded to the Members of the MCA on special occasions.

(5) Members desirous of undertaking tours abroad or inviting foreign teams shall obtain the previous permission of the BCCI, which may be granted in accordance with the Rules framed by the BCCI / MCA.

31. BAN ON PARTICIPATION IN UNAPPROVED TOURNAMENTS

(1) No Member shall participate or extend help of any kind to an unapproved Tournament.

(2) No Player, Umpire, Scorer, Official or other person associated with the MCA shall participate in any unapproved tournament.

(3) The Apex Council shall take appropriate action including suspension and stoppage of financial benefits and any other action against individuals / Members contravening the above.

CHAPTER SIX: ELECTIONS

32. PROCEDURE FOR ELECTIONS

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

33. THE ELECTORAL OFFICER

1) At least four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting at which an election is to be held, the Apex Council shall appoint an Electoral Officer, who shall be a former State Election Commissioner. It is further provided that until the Apex council is formed, the Chief Executive Officer is authorised to get the above officer appointed as the Electoral Officer.

2) The Electoral Officer shall oversee and supervise the entire election process including scrutiny of the electoral rolls for Councillors, which shall include all nominations and candidatures being subject to his scrutiny in accordance with the Rules.

3) In case of any dispute or objection as to candidacy, disqualification, eligibility to vote, or the admission or rejection of a vote in the elections to the Apex Council or any of the Committees, the Electoral Officer shall decide the same and such decision shall be final and conclusive.

CHAPTER SEVEN: AUDIT & ACCOUNTS

34. AUDITOR(S):

1) The General Body shall at every Annual General Meeting appoint one or more auditors to hold office for a 1 year period and shall fix their remuneration. The Auditor shall be eligible for reappointment by the General Body.

2) The Auditor(s) of the MCA shall have the right of access at all times to the Books of Accounts, Vouchers and any other documents relating to the accounts of the MCA and shall be entitled to obtain from the Office-bearers and Committees such information and explanation as may be necessary in the discharge of his/their duties.

3) The Auditor(s) shall provide an opinion on the financial statements of the MCA and recommendations on the financial controls within the system, which shall be contained in a Financial Report.

4) The Auditor(s) shall also ascertain how the funds of the MCA are being utilized by the respective Members. It will be the responsibility of the Auditor(s) to verify the statements made by the Members in this regard and to give findings, which shall be contained in a Compliance Report.

5) Both the Financial Report and the Compliance Report of the Auditor(s) shall be considered at the Annual General Meeting.

35. ACCOUNTS

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

36. SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS & BALANCE SHEET

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

CHAPTER EIGHT: TRANSPARENCY & CONFLICT OF INTEREST

37. TRANSPARENCY

(i) The Memorandum of Association, Rules and Regulations and all other resolutions, orders and memoranda of the MCA (including the Apex Council and the General Body) shall be freely available to the general public at a reasonable price. The same shall also be available on the Website of the MCA.

(ii) The composition of the various Committees (including the Governing Council), their reports of work done, financial outlay and expenditure shall be uploaded on the Website of the MCA on a quarterly basis at distinct links dedicated to each Committee. It shall be the responsibility of the CEO to ensure that this is done.

(iii) All payments and expenditures made by the MCA which is in excess of Rs. 5 lakh shall be enumerated and uploaded on the website.

(iv) All proceedings and conclusions of the Ombudsman and the Electoral Officer shall be uploaded on the Website of the MCA annually.

(v) The audited accounts, balance sheets, profit & loss accounts and annual reports shall be uploaded on the Website of the MCA annually.

(vi) The Financial and Compliance Reports of the Auditor shall be placed on the uploaded on the Website of the MCA annually.

(vii) All notices on or behalf of the MCA including tenders for goods and services, for contractual arrangements and the like shall be promptly uploaded on the Website of the MCA.

(viii) The website of the MCA shall display all the stadia controlled by the Association and their complete seating capacity, pricing and transparent booking procedures for all matches and tournaments whether international, domestic or T20 Mumbai League and IPL. All sponsor and other free allotments shall also be disclosed, in no event being more than 10% of the entire seating capacity in any particular category.

38. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

(1) A Conflict Of Interest may take any of the following forms as far as any individual associated with the MCA is concerned:

(i) *Direct or Indirect Interest*: When the MCA, a Member, the IPL or a Franchisee enter into contractual arrangements with entities in which the

individual concerned or his/her relative, partner or close associate has an interest. This is to include cases where family members, partners or close associates are in positions that may, or may be seen to compromise an individual's participation, performance and discharge of roles.

Illustration 1: A is an Office Bearer of the MCA when it enters into a broadcast contract with a company where A's son B is employed. A is hit by Direct Conflict of Interest.

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

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

Illustration 4: F is President of the MCA. His son-in-law is a Team Official of a Franchisee. F is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 5: G is an employee of the MCA. His wife runs a catering agency that is engaged by the MCA. G is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

Illustration 1: A is the Coach of a team. He is also Coach of an IPL/ T20 Mumbai League Franchisee. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

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

Illustration 4: D is a Selector. He is also coach of an IPL/ T20 Mumba League franchisee. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

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

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

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

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

Illustration 5: E is a member of the IPL Governing Council. He is engaged by a cricket broadcaster to act as an IPL commentator. E is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

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

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

Illustration 3: D is the Commissioner of the IPL. Before he came into this office, he used to engage E as his auditor for his business. After becoming Commissioner, E is appointed as auditor to the IPL. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 4: F is the Captain of an IPL team, and G is the team's manager. When F is made Captain of the national team, G is appointed as the national team's manager. F is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a) Player (Current)
b) Selector / Member of Cricket Committee
c) Team Official
d) Commentator
e) Match Official
f) Administrator / Office-Bearer
g) Electoral Officer
h) Ombudsman& Ethics Officer

i) Auditor

j) Any person who is in governance, management or employment of a Franchisee / BCCI / any other State Association

k) Member of a Standing Committee

l) CEO & Managers

m) Office Bearer of BCCI

n) Service Provider (Legal, Financial, etc.)

o) Contractual entity (Broadcast, Security, Contractor, etc.)

p) Owner of a Cricket Academy

(5) As far as incumbents are concerned, every disclosure mandated under Sub-Rule (3) may be made within 90 days of the Effective Date.

39. THE ETHICS OFFICER

1) The Association shall appoint an Ethics Officer at the Annual General Meeting for the purpose of guidance and resolution in instances of conflict of interest. The Ethics Officer shall be a retired Judge of a High Court so appointed by the Association after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the MCA in keeping with the dignity and stature of the office. The term of an Ethics Officer shall be one year, subject to a maximum of 3 terms in office.

2) Any instance of Conflict of Interest may be taken cognizance of by the Ethics Officer:

   a. Suo Motu;

   b. By way of a complaint in writing to the official postal or email address; or

   c. On a reference by the Apex Council;

3) After considering the relevant factors and following the principles of natural justice, the Ethics Officer may do any of the following:

   a. Declare the conflict as Tractable and direct that:

      i. The person declare the Conflict of Interest as per Sub-Rule (3); or

      ii. The interest that causes the conflict be relinquished; or

      iii. The person recuse from discharging the obligation or duty so vested in him or her;

b. *Declare the conflict as Intractable and direct that:*

i. The person be suspended or removed from his or her post; and

ii. Any suitable monetary or other penalty be imposed; and

iii. The person be barred for a specified period or for life from involvement with the game of cricket;

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

CHAPTER NINE: THE OMBUDSMAN

40. THE OMBUDSMAN

(1) The Association shall appoint on advice of the Apex Council and in consultation with CEO an Ombudsman at the Annual General Meeting for the purpose of providing an independent dispute resolution mechanism. The Ombudsman shall be a retired Judge of the Supreme Court or a retired Chief Justice of a High Court so appointed by the Association after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the MCA in keeping with the dignity and stature of the office. The term of Ombudsman shall be one year, subject to a maximum of 3 terms in office.

(2) The Association shall, on advice of the Apex Council and in consultation with the CEO frame Regulations governing the discipline, conduct and penalties for the Players, Match Officials, Team Officials, Administrators, Committee Members, Members of MCA and their representatives, Franchisees and their representatives and others associated with the MCA.

41. GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

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

a. Member, Association & Franchisee Disputes

Any disputes between or among the MCA, its Members, IPL / T20 Mumbai League Franchisees, Zones and the Cricket Players' Association shall be automatically referred to the Ombudsman.

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

b. Detriment caused by Member or Administrator

If any Member or any Administrator of the MCA commits any act of indiscipline or misconduct or acts in any manner which may or likely to be detrimental to the interest of the MCA or the game of cricket or endanger the harmony or affect the reputation or interest of the MCA or refuses or neglects

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

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

c. Misconduct or Breach by Others

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

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

d. By the Public against the MCA

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

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

(2) The Place of hearing shall be decided by the Ombudsman from time to time. The Ombudsman shall have the power to impose penalties as provided in the Regulations framed under Rule 40(2) for Players, Match Officials, Team Officials, Administrators, Committee Members, Members of MCA and their representatives, Franchisees and their representatives and others associated with the MCA

(3) The decision of the Ombudsman shall be final and binding and shall come into force forthwith on being pronounced and delivered.

(4) Any Administrator, Player, Match Official, Team Official, Selector or other individual associated with the MCA on being found guilty and expelled by the Association shall forfeit all their rights and privileges. He or she shall not in future be entitled to hold any position or office or be admitted in any committee or any role on the MCA.

(5) A Member or Franchise once expelled, may, on application made after expiry of three years since expulsion, be readmitted by the Association, provided the same is accepted at a General Body meeting by 3/4th members present and voting.

(6) Pending inquiry and proceeding into complaints or charges of misconduct or any act of indiscipline or violation of any Rules and Regulations, the concerned Member, Administrator, Player, Match Official, Team Official, or other individual associated with the MCA (along with their respective privileges and benefits) may be suspended by the Apex Council until final adjudication. However, the said adjudication ought to be completed within six months, failing which the suspension shall cease.

CHAPTER TEN: MISCELLANEOUS

42. NOTICE

(1) Any notice required to be served on any Member of the MCA or any Administrator or other entity shall be addressed to their registered addresses.

(2) All notices shall be served by way of electronic mail or post or courier to the official addresses as are furnished to the MCA. In case of Office, school and college member clubs, notice shall be sent address of the office or school/ college only and no notice shall be sent to the address of the Representative of office or school and college.

(3) Any notice sent via post or e-mail or courier shall be deemed to have been served at the time when the same was sent, and it shall be sufficient to prove either that the letter containing the notice was properly addressed and posted or that the email was sent to the correct e-mail address.

43. INDEMNITY

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

44. SUITS BY OR AGAINST THE MCA

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

45. AMENDMENT AND REPEAL

These Rules and Regulations of the MCA shall not be repealed, added to, amended or altered, subject to Apex Court order, except when passed and adopted by a 3/4th majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a Special General Meeting of the General Body convened for the purpose or at the Annual General Meeting. Any such amendment will not be given effect to without the leave of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

RULES FOR ELECTIONS

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1. Along with the notice convening the Annual General Meeting the Secretary shall forward to each Ordinary Members :-
   b) Two forms of Nomination Papers in the form shown in Appendix 'A' hereto. (If any Ordinary Member requires more Nomination Papers he may obtain them from the Secretary on payment of Rs. 5/-. for each Nomination Paper).
   c) A copy of an up-to-date list as far as possible alphabetically arranged of the names and addresses of the Ordinary Members of the Association with the names of the representatives of the ordinary Club Members on the records of the Association on the date of despatch of the notice of the Annual General Meeting
   d) An intimation regarding the last date for filling a nomination which shall be a date seven clear days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting
   e) Printed cards serially numbered in accordance with the alphabetical list of Ordinary Club Members in the form shown in Appendix 'B' hereto in duplicate (applicable only to Ordinary Club Members).
   f) The name and address of the Electoral Officer

2. Inadvertent omission to forward Nomination Papers or Inadvertent mistakes or omission or misprint in the list of Ordinary Members or the names of the representatives shall not invalidate an election.

3. Every candidate for election as President, Vice-President, the Secretary, the Joint Secretary, Treasurer or member of the Apex Council shall be duly proposed and seconded by a representative of an Ordinary Member of the Association and the candidate shall sign the Nomination Paper in token of his willingness to serve if elected and shall also duly fill up the Nomination Paper.

4. All Nomination Papers shall be deposited with the Electoral Officer on or before the date fixed for receiving nominations under bye-law 1 (c) above.

5. Nomination Papers shall be scrutinised by the Electoral Officer on the day fixed by him after the last day for submitting Nomination Papers. Candidates whose names have been proposed and seconded as President, Vice-President, the Secretary, the Joint Secretary, Treasurer or member of the Apex Council shall be entitled to attend before the Electoral Officer when the Nomination Papers are scrutinised. Decision of Electoral Officer shall be final and conclusive

6. Any candidate may withdraw his candidature by a notice in writing addressed to the Electoral Officer within three days of the scrutiny of the Nomination Papers.

7. In the following cases, the Ordinary Members are not entitled to vote or get elected:-
(a) if subscription is not received seven clear days before the date of the Annual General Meeting but not later than 7.00 p.m. shall be eligible to vote or be elected to the Apex Council
(b) if any dues are in arrears to the Association as shown in the accounts of the Association is not received seven clear days before the date of the Annual General Meeting but not later than 7.00 p.m.
(c) The Treasurer shall forward to the Electoral Officer before he scrutinises the nomination papers a List of Ordinary Members and individual who are in arrears as mentioned in (a) and (b) above.
(d) Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in these rules, no person who is an employee of the Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA), Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), Indian Premier league (IPL) and Mumbai Indians – IPL franchisee and Garware Club House, either on regular or on contractual basis except any office bearer, Selector, Coach, Umpire and Player elected, appointed or selected by the MCA/BCCI, will be eligible to vote or be elected to the Council or continue as the member of the Apex Council in any capacity

8. Printed cards, in duplicate, mentioned in Bye-law 1(d) above duly filled in and signed by the authorised signatory on the record of the Association of each Ordinary Member shall be presented to the office of the Association along with two passport size photographs of the Ordinary International Player Member and in case of Ordinary Club Member by its representative attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting at least 6 clear days before the date fixed for such Meeting but not later than 7.00 p.m. Second copy of the card will be handed over to the Ordinary Member or its representative as the case may be after the same has been duly stamped with the seal of the Association and with the photograph of the representative affixed on it.

9. If the printed card is not received by an Ordinary Member, the Jt. Secretary shall at the request in writing from the Ordinary Member (on Club's letter head in case of Club Members) issue a duplicate printed card bearing the same serial number. This duplicate printed card will have to be collected from the Office of the Association, and

the same after being duly filled in and signed by the authorised signatory on the records of the Association of the Ordinary Member be presented to the Office of the Association along with two passport size photographs of the representative of the ordinary Member attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting at least 6 clear days before the date fixed for such meeting but not later than 7.00 p.m. Second copy of the card will be handed over to the representative of the Ordinary Member after the same has been duly stamped with the seal of the Association and with the photograph of the representative affixed on it. Ordinary Members or in case of Ordinary Club Members, its Representative will have to bring his copy of printed card along with him at the time of his attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting. Any Ordinary Member who does not produce the duplicate copy of the printed card with the photograph and duly stamped with the seal of the Association shall not be entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General meeting

10. The Electoral Officer shall on receipt of the printed cards prepare a list of the Ordinary Members and their representatives entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and shall submit a copy of such list to the Jt. Hon. Secretaries six clear days before the Annual General Meeting. Such list shall remain at the office of the Association and may be inspected by any representative of an Ordinary Member between 12 noon and 2.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. at the office of the Association. Any objection as to inclusion or omission of a representative of an Ordinary Member from such list shall be communicated two days before the date of the Annual General Meeting to the Electoral Officer.

11. The Electoral Officer shall get printed such number of voting papers with counter-foils as are required for the election and have the counter-foils duly numbered by the press serially and bound up separately in six books each book containing an equal number of voting papers and shall hand over these books to the persons to be appointed by the Electoral Officer for issuing the ballot papers on the election day

12. If the number of candidates proposed for election is equal to the number to be elected the candidates shall be declared as elected unopposed. If there is a contest, election shall be held.

13. Voting shall be by ballot. The Ballot paper shall be issued to the voter who shall sign on the counter-foil of the ballot paper.

14. The Electoral Officer in the presence of candidates if they so desire shall see that ballot boxes are empty and shall seal them himself at the place of election. The Ballot Box shall be kept in open place.

15. A vote shall be cast by placing a cross opposite the name of a candidate in the space provided for the purpose.

16. If any member cast votes more than entitled to cast, ballot paper of such member shall be invalid.

17. If two or more candidates receive an equal number of votes the result shall be determined by the chairman of the Annual General Meeting by his casting vote.

18. After the ballot papers have been issued the counter foils of the ballot papers and the unused remaining ballot papers shall be kept in an envelope which will be sealed by the Electoral Officer in the presence of the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting who will sign such envelope. The Electoral Officer will keep the sealed envelope with him for 15 days or in the event of an appeal until the appeal is disposed off whichever is later where after they may be destroyed.

19. After the ballot is concluded the Electoral Officer shall personally supervise the scrutiny.

20. Voting papers shall be scrutinised by the scrutineers appointed by the Electoral Officer. The scrutiny shall take place in the presence of the Electoral Officer Candidates shall be entitled to be present at the scrutiny of the ballot papers.

21. After the scrutiny is over all the ballot papers shall be kept in an envelope which shall be sealed by the Electoral Officer in the presence of the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting who will sign the sealed Envelope. The Electoral Officer will keep the sealed envelope with him for 15 days or in the event of an appeal until the appeal is disposed off whichever is later where after they may be destroyed.

22. In case of any dispute or objection as to candidacy, disqualification, eligibility to vote, or the admission or rejection of a vote in the elections to the Apex Council, the Players' Cricket Association or any of the Committees, the Electoral Officer shall decide the same and such decision shall be final and conclusive.

RULES FOR COLOURS

1. The Colours of Mumbai Cricket Association shall be Navy-Blue, Red and Gold
2. The blazer shall be plain Navy-Blue bearing a badge which shall be red lion with gold crown and shield containing the letters 'MCA
3. The tie shall be bound in the Association colours as follows :-Blue 1/2" Red 1/4" and Gold 1/8"
4. The Association colours shall only be worn by such persons who have played (but not by the reserves who have not played) for the Association in the National Championship for Ranji Trophy Matches
5. The President/Vice-President/Secretary/Jt. Secretary/Treasurer of the Mumbai Cricket Association and persons who have been or are members of the Apex Council shall be entitled to wear a tie of the Association and buy the same at such price as the Apex Council may from time to time determine.
6. The Apex Council may present colours i.e. a tailored blazer and a tie each to any player who in the opinion of the Apex Council has rendered valuable services to the Association.
7. On the recommendation of the General Body any person who has rendered meritorious services to the Association may be awarded colours of the Association