

THE ANDHRA CRICKET ASSOCIATION

(Registered under Registration and Societies Act XXI of 1860 No.25 of 1953)



MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION AND RULES AND REGULATIONS

(As per judgment dated 9th August 2018 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 4235 of 2014 & connected matters and also in IA No. 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235 of 2014 Dt. 14-09-2022)





MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

1. The name of the Association is "THE ANDHRA CRICKET ASSOCIATION" and it shall hereafter be referred to as the "ACA".
2. The objects and purposes of the ACA are:
 - (a) To control and improve quality and standards of the game of Cricket in **Andhra Pradesh** lay down policies, roadmaps, guidelines and make rules and regulations (and amend or alter the) in all matters relating to the game of Cricket, recognizing that the primary stakeholders are the players and Cricket fans in Andhra, and that accountability, transparency, purity and integrity of the Game are the core values;
 - (b) To provide for measures, necessary for promotion and development of the game of cricket, interest of Cricketers and elimination of unethical and unfair practices in the Game of cricket; and for that purpose, organize coaching camps, establish coaching academies, hold tournaments, exhibition matches, Ranji Matches, Test Matches, ODIs, Twenty/20 allotted by BCCI and any other matches and take all other required steps;
 - (c) 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.
 - (d) To encourage the formation of District, Regional or other Cricket Associations and the organization of Inter-District, Inter-State and other Tournaments; to lay down norms for recognition which achieve uniformity in the structure, functioning and processes of the Member Associations.
 - (e) To arrange, control, regulate and if necessary, finance the visits of Teams that are Members of the ACA and teams of other States to ACA.
 - (f) To arrange, control, regulate and finance, visits of Andhra Cricket Teams to tour countries that are members of the International Cricket Council or tour to other states in India or elsewhere in conjunction with the bodies governing cricket in the State/ Countries to be visited.
 - (g) To select teams to represent Andhra in Ranji Trophy, **One Day**, Twenty/20 matches and in any other format in **Andhra or India as**





- may be decided from time to time.
- (h) 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.
 - (i) To appoint ACA's representative/s to participate in Conferences and Seminars connected with the game of Cricket, **organized by BCCI and ICC.**
 - (j) To appoint Managers and/or other team officials for the Andhra Teams.
 - (k) 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.
 - (l) To ensure that tickets to cricket matches are widely available well in advance of the matches to members of the public at reasonable rates, and to prevent distribution of the same as largesse's; and also, to offer seats at nominal rates to students.
 - (m) 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.
 - (n) To constitute Committees, from time to time, and entrust or delegate its functions and duties to such Committees, for achieving the objects of the ACA.
 - (o) To vest immovable properties and funds of the ACA in Trustees appointed by it, for carrying out the objects of the ACA.
 - (p) To sell, manage, mortgage, lease, exchange, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any property of the ACA.
 - (q) 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 ACA.
 - (r) To collect funds, and wherever necessary, borrow with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities.
 - (s) To carry out any other activity which may seem to the ACA 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 ACA.

- (t) 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 ACA.
 - (ii) Being sensitive to Players before national calendars are drawn up so that sufficient time is provided for rest and recovery.
 - (iii) Taking steps, particularly on longer tours, so 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 to ensure there is oversight and transparency in player representation.
 - (vii) Offering appropriate remuneration when representing the Andhra on the national stage and always recalling State representation has priority over club or franchise.
- (u) To grant/donate such sum/s for:
- (i) Such causes as would be deemed fit by the ACA 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 ACA 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 ACA may consider fit;
 - (iv) To award sponsorships to sportspersons in games other than Cricket for development of their individual skills; and
 - (v) To donate to any charitable cause.
- (v) To start or sponsor and/or to subscribe to funds or stage matches for the benefit of the 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 organize matches in aid of Public Charitable and Relief Funds;
- (w) To impart physical education through the medium of Cricket;





- (x) To co-ordinate the activities of members and institutions in relation to the ACA and amongst themselves;
 - (y) To create and maintain a central repository and database of all Cricketers along with their game statistics;
 - (z) To introduce a scheme of professionalism and to implement the same;
 - (aa) To provide a fair and transparent grievance redressal mechanism to players, support personnel and other entities associated with Cricket;
 - (bb) Generally to do all such other acts and things as may seem to the ACA to be convenient and/or conducive for the carrying out the objects of the ACA.
3. The income, funds and properties of the ACA, however acquired, shall be utilized and applied solely for the promotion of the objects of the ACA 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 or any other sport throughout India.
4. The ACA shall not be dissolved unless the dissolution is decided upon by a resolution passed at a General Meeting of the ACA 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 ACA, 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 ACA 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 Secretaries, Honorary Treasurers, Honorary Joint Secretaries of the ACA.
- (b) "AGENTS' REGISTER" is the register maintained by the ACA under the Regulations for Registration of Players' Agents.
- (c) "APEX COUNCIL" is the principal body of the ACA tasked with its governance as set out in Rule 14.
- (d) "AUDITOR" is the auditor of the ACA appointed by the General Body of ACA to discharge the functions set out in Rule 38.
- (e) "ACA" is The Andhra Cricket Association registered under Societies Act XXI of 1860 at Guntur (Andhra Pradesh) with Registration No.25 of 1953.
- (f) "CEO" is the Chief Executive Officer of the ACA appointed by the Apex Council as set out in Rule 23.
- (g) "CONFLICT OF INTEREST" refers to situations where an individual associated with the ACA 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 and that may give rise to apprehensions of, or actual favoritism, lack of objectivity, bias, benefits (monetary or otherwise) or linkages, as set out in Rule 42.
- (h) "COUNCILLORS" are the members of the Apex Council.
- (i) "CRICKET COMMITTEES" are the Committees as set up in Rule 26 which consist only of former Players and are charged with selection, coaching and evaluation of team performance.
- (j) "CRICKET PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION" refers to the association of Players so constituted and governed by the Code for the Cricket Players Association
- (k) "ELECTORAL OFFICER" is the person appointed to conduct, supervise and deal with issues concerning elections as set out in Rule 37.
- (l) "ETHICS OFFICER" is the person appointed to administer the Conflict of Interest principles as set out in Rule 43.
- (m) "EXISTING MEMBER" is an association or other body corporate that





- was a Member of the ACA immediately before the Effective Date.
- (n) "FRANCHISEES" are the various commercial entities who have entered into franchise agreements with the ACA for participation in the Andhra Premier League.
 - (o) "GENERAL BODY" is the supreme body of the ACA which is constituted by its Members.
 - (p) "GOVERNING COUNCIL" is the Standing Committee constituted by the ACA which shall be in charge of and conduct the Andhra Premier League.
 - (q) "APL" refers to the Andhra Premier League which is the franchise-based Twenty/20 tournament conducted by ACA for a maximum period of 7 weeks.
 - (r) "JOINT SECRETARY" is the Honorary Joint Secretary of the ACA as set out in Rule 7(4).
 - (s) "JUNIOR TOURNAMENT" shall mean any age group tournaments conducted by the ACA from time to time.
 - (t) (i) "MEMBER" is a "Full Member", and "Associate Member" and Patrons of ACA.
 - (ii) "FULL MEMBER" is a District Cricket Association having voting rights and as enumerated in Rule 3(a)(ii) of these Rules and the already affiliated Clubs of ACA which are actually participating in the game and fielding Players in local / District State teams and involved in promotion of Cricket and former International Players who have represented India from Andhra area.
 - (iii) "ASSOCIATE MEMBER" is a Member of the ACA not having any voting rights and as enumerated in Rule 3(a)(iii) of these Rules.
 - (iv) "PATRON" "Any eminent person interested in the game of cricket and considered helpful in carrying out in objectives of the Association may be inducted as Patron by the General Body from time to time without any voting right.
 - (u) "MATCH OFFICIAL" includes Umpires, Match Referees, Observers, Statisticians, Ground Staff, Scorers and Video Analyst so appointed by the ACA or a Full Member from time to time.
 - (v) "OFFICE BEARER" means the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Joint Secretary, and Treasurer.
 - (w) "OMBUDSMAN" is the independent grievance redressal authority set up under Rule 44.





- (x) "PLAYER" is any Cricketer past or present registered with ACA or any of its Members as a player and shall include any person selected in any squad to represent Andhra Days matches, ODI tour, One Day matches, Twenty/20 or Junior Tournament Match in India or Abroad.
- (y) "PRESIDENT" is the Honorary President of the ACA and of the Apex Council as set out in Rule 7(1).
- (z) "REPRESENTATIVE" of a Member means a person duly nominated as such by the respective Full Member or Associate Member as the case may be.
- (aa) "RULE" shall refer to any rule or sub-rule in these Rules and Regulations, and "RULES" refer to these Rules and Regulations.
- (bb) "SECRETARY" is the Honorary Secretary of the ACA as set out in Rule 7(3).
- (cc) "TEAM OFFICIAL" refers to the support staff appointed by the ACA includes coaches, managers, physiotherapists, Nutritionists, trainers, analysts, counsellors and medics;
- (dd) "TOURNAMENT RULES" means the rules governing the conduct of various domestic tournaments organized by the ACA including the APL and such other tournaments as may be conducted by the ACA from time to time.
- (ee) "TREASURER" is the Treasurer of the ACA as set out in Rule 7(5)
- (ff) "VICE PRESIDENT" is the Vice President of the ACA as set out in Rule 7(2)
- (gg) "YEAR" means financial year commencing from the 1st day of April and ending on the 31st day of March of the following year.
- (hh) "ZONE" means any of the 3 zones namely North Zone, South Zone and Central Zone, comprising such teams as may be decided by the ACA from time to time, and subject to the following
 - (i) Only Full and Associate Members are entitled to field teams for zonal tournament
 - (ii) The ACA may decide on realigning the zones in accordance with expediency and competition.

(B) INTERPRETATION

- (i) In these Rules, all references to Players, Match Officials and Administrators shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include Players, Match Officials and Administrators (and/or equivalent persons) of the APL and its Franchisees as well.
- (ii) THE EFFECTIVE DATE shall be the date on which these Rules





come into force.

2. HEAD QUARTERS:

- (i) The registered office of The Andhra Cricket Association shall be at ACA Stadium, Mangalagiri, Guntur
- (ii) The Administrative office of The Andhra Cricket Association shall be at **Dr. YSRR ACA VDCA Cricket Stadium, Visakhapatnam** or any other place in ACA area as decided by the Apex Council from time to time.

3. MEMBERSHIP AND JURISDICTION OF MEMBERS:

(a) Membership

- (i) Membership of the ACA shall be confined to
 - (a) Full Members; and
 - (b) Associate Members;
- (ii) Full Members shall include
 - A. Each District which shall be represented by a District cricket association duly recognized by the ACA and such associations shall be Full Members. No District shall have more than one Full Member, except as provided in Rules 3(a)(ii)[C] and 3(a)(ii)[D] below.
 - B. The associations who are the controlling bodies for cricket in the following Districts shall be the Full Members of the ACA:
 - 1. Srikakulam (Srikakulam District Boys and Girls Cricket Association)
 - 2. Vizianagaram (Vizianagaram District Cricket Association)
 - 3. Visakhapatnam (Visakhapatnam District Cricket Association)
 - 4. East Godavari (**East Godavari District Cricket Association recognized As per the orders of Hon'ble Ombudsman, ACA, Dt.05-12-2021**)
 - 5. West Godavari (West Godavari District Cricket Association)





- Association)
6. Krishna (run by Adhoc Committee, as per orders of Hon'ble Ombudsman dt 5/12/2020 and Apex Council resolution dt 6/12/2021)
 7. Guntur (**Guntur District Cricket Association recognized, As per the orders of Hon.ble Ombudsman, ACA, Dt.05-12-2021**)
 8. Prakasam (Prakasam District Cricket Association) (**Recognised as full member District Unit, as per the resolution passed in Emergency APEX Council Resolution Dt.17-07-2022**)
 9. Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore District (Nellore District Cricket Association)
 10. Chittoor ((Boys and Girls Cricket Association of Chittoor District)
 11. Kurnool (**Kurnool District Cricket Association, Kurnool**) (**Recognized as full member District Unit, as per the resolution passed in APEX Council Meeting Dt.13-11-2020**)
 12. Y.S.R. Kadapa District (Kadapa District Cricket Association) modified as **Cricket Association of YSR District, Kadapa (As per resolution of APEX Council,ACA, Dt.26-06-2021)**
 13. Anantapur (Anantapur District Cricket Association)
- C. Where disputes are pending regarding the duly recognized association to represent a particular district, the district shall be represented by the recognized association, subject to any order of the Court or resolution of the ACA as the case may be.
- D. Clubs – Having regular constitution, having elected Office – Bearers, having on their rolls at least 15 members and submitting every year to the ACA a list of Office Bearers and a copy of its annual report and copy of audited annual account, apart from being involved in developing cricketing activity within their limits, and promoting players through their teams to ACA and also conducting cricket tournaments within Andhra including the clubs which are founder playing members of ACA.





The Existing Clubs are

1. Vizianagaram Cricket Club, Vizianagaram
2. Visakhapatnam Cricket Club, Visakhapatnam
3. Metro Cricket Club, Visakhapatnam
4. Black Shirts Cricket Club, Eluru
5. Sreerama Cricket Club, Eluru
6. Welcome Cricket Club-Vijayawada, Vijayawada
7. Patel Cricket Club-Vijayawada, Vijayawada
8. Guntur Cricket Club, Guntur
9. The Guntur Recreation Club, Guntur
10. Goparaju Prasad Memorial Cricket Club, Guntur
11. Ravindranagar Cricket Club, Guntur
12. New Cricket Club, Guntur
13. Venkatagiri Samsthanam Cricket Club, Venkatagiri
14. Venkatagiri Cricket Club, Venkatagiri
15. Nellore United Cricket Club, Nellore
16. **Kurnool Blues Cricket Club, Kurnool (Recognised and added as full member in APEX Council meeting of ACA, Dt.23-02-2022)**
17. **Guntur United Cricket Club, Guntur (Recognised and added as full member in APEX Council meeting of ACA dt 23-02-2022).**

E. All former International Players (Male and Female) hailing from Andhra Pradesh shall automatically be full members of the Andhra Cricket Association.

(iii) Associate Members

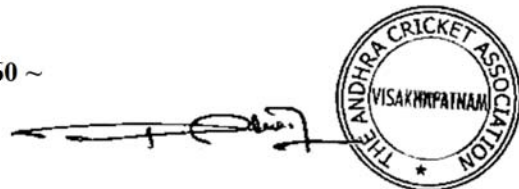
- A. Any Existing Member who does not fall within the definition of a Full Member shall be an Associate Member of the ACA.
- B. The ACA may induct any other entity as an Associate Member, subject to all the conditions and disqualifications laid down in Rule 3(a)(1)(b) below.

(b) **Grounds for sanction & de-recognition of a Full Member**





- (1) No Member shall be entitled to any grant from the ACA if its Constitution and/or Bye-Laws fails to provide for, or comply with the following:
- (i) The Association shall not have any provision for any post to be held for more than 9 years.
 - (ii) The Governing Body/ Managing Committee of the Association shall include at least two representatives of players (one male and one female) and a nominee of the Accountant General of the State.
 - (iii) The Association shall grant automatic membership to former international players hailing from the Association.
 - (iv) The Association shall not have proxy voting. There shall be a provision whereby the office bearers and members of the Governing Body/ Managing Committee of the Association stand disqualified, if they willfully refuse or neglect to comply with any provisions of the rules or shall be guilty of such conduct, as the apex council may consider to endanger the interest of the ACA.
 - (v) There shall be a provision whereby individuals who are disqualified from being office bearers and/or members of the Governing Body/ Managing Committee as aforesaid shall also be disqualified from being representatives/ nominees or members of any committee/ council.
 - (vi) There shall be a provision whereby an office bearer or an elected member of the Governing Body/ Managing Committee/ Apex Council who has held any post two consecutive terms in State association 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 or an elected member of the Governing Body/ Managing Committee/ Apex Council shall not be a member of the Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of the ACA.
 - (vii) The Association shall appoint an Electoral Officer, an Ethics Officer and an Ombudsman.
 - (viii) The ACA shall abide by the principles of transparency laid down in Chapter 8 of these Rules.
 - (ix) Any eminent person interested in the game of cricket





and consider helpful in carrying out the objectives of the association shall be nominated as Patrons by the association in its Annual General Meeting. The nominated Patrons shall function for 3 years and they shall not have voting right in any matter and in any meeting.

- (2) In the event of the grant being denied to any Member under Rule 3(b)(1) above, the ACA shall directly spend the grant in respect of Full Member concerned in its capacity as *patris patriae*.
- (3) If any Full Member continues to be disentitled for a grant under Rule 3(b)(1) above for a continuous period of 2 years, the ACA may derecognize the District Association/Club as a Member, and if it is a Full Member, in its place, recognize any other Association from that Full Member **District** which complies with the requirements of Rule 3(b)(1) above.

(c) **Annual Updates**

All Members shall, on or before 15th November of each year, inform and update the ACA as to the names of their Office Bearers and the members of their respective Governing Bodies/ Managing Committees, their respective tenures, the audited statement of accounts and the balance sheets.

(d) **Jurisdiction**

The territorial jurisdiction of the Full Members classified under Rule 3(a)(ii) (except those listed in Rules 3(a)(ii)[C] and [D] above) shall be of the administrative of District. The territorial jurisdiction of the Full Members listed in Rules 3(a)(ii)[C] and [D] above shall be of the relevant part of the District to which their jurisdiction extends. If a District were to be bifurcated, the newly created District would be entitled to an independent Full Membership and shall be so inducted within 3 months of such coming into force.

4. VOTE & ACCOUNTS OF TOURNAMENTS

- (1) Each Full Member shall have one vote, to be exercised through its authorized Representative.





- (2) Former International Player who became full member should exercise his vote personally, no proxy is allowed.
- (3) An Associate Member shall be entitled to participate in the General Body Meetings but shall not be entitled either to vote or have its representative elected to the Apex Council.
- (4) A Member, required to submit the annual or other accounts, balance sheets or statements of expenditure either under these Rules or under the rules of any tournament/ match, or under the resolutions or decisions of the ACA relating to any grant, fails to submit the accounts or the statements of expenditure relating to such grant, tournament, match or otherwise, within the period stipulated thereunder, shall not be entitled to any further financial grants from the ACA till the requirements are complied with

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

CHAPTER TWO:

THE GENERAL BODY AND OFFICE BEARERS AND THEIR POWERS & FUNCTIONS

5. CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ACA

- (1) The General Body is constituted of all the Members of the ACA.
- (2) The authorized Representatives of the various Full Members shall cast their votes on behalf of their respective Full Member. 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 ACA and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or payoff any such security.

- (b) To frame the Laws of Cricket in Andhra and to make alterations, amendments or additions to the Laws of Cricket in Andhra whenever desirable or necessary.
- (c) To direct and control the Governing Council, to lend oversight and assistance to the APL conducted by the Council and to ensure that the interests of the 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 ACA.

6. ELECTION & TERM OF OFFICE BEARERS

- (1) The following Office Bearers of the ACA shall be elected by the Full Members of the ACA from amongst their representatives at an Annual General Meeting:
 1. The President
 2. The Vice-President
 3. The Secretary
 4. The Joint Secretary
 5. The Treasurer
- (2) The Term of office of an Office Bearer shall be 3 years. Their position shall be Honorary.
- (3) No person shall be an Office Bearer for more than 3 terms in all.
- (4) (1) An office bearer who has held any post for two consecutive terms in the ACA 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 the ACA. The expression 'office bearer' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA, as the case may be.





(2) If a person has served to consecutive terms each, in the state association and in the BCCI (or Vice Versa) continuously without any break, such person shall not be eligible to contest any further election in the state association or in the BCCI, 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 the ACA. The expression 'office bearer' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA, as the case may be.

(The above clause of 6.4 is bifurcated as 6.4.1 and 6.4.2 as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)

- (5) A person shall be disqualified from being an Office Bearer, a member of the Governing Council or any Committee or a representative to the BCCI or any similar organization 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 Servent.
 - (e) has been an Office Bearer of the ACA for a cumulative period of 9 years.
 - (f) has been convicted by a Court of Law for commission of criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment.

(The above clause of 6.5 is amended and some portion of sub clause (d) (or holds a public office is removed),

total sub clause (e) holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from Cricket has been removed)

Sub clause (g) has been charged by a court of Law for having committed any criminal offence, i.e, an order framing charges has been passed by a court of law





having competent jurisdiction has been amended as “has been convicted by a court of Law for commission of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment” as per the direction of Hon’ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)

Note: The point (e) is deleted and point (f) became (e) as per the above amendment.

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 ACA.
- (c) The President shall also exercise such functions and duties as he maybe 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.

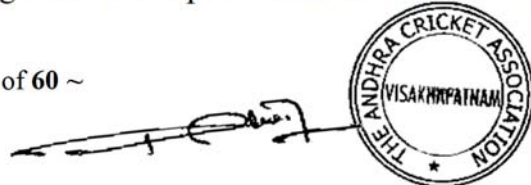
(2) THE VICE PRESIDENT

- (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) Keep and maintain the minutes of Annual General Meetings 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 ACA.
- (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 ACA, the Apex Council or the Governing Council as the case may be.
- (d) Convene the Annual General Meetings, Special General Meetings and the meetings of the Apex Council and Governing Council with the concurrence of the President.
- (e) Circulate to all Members of the ACA the statement of accounts prepared by the Treasurer.
- (f) Have the power to delegate any work to the Honorary Joint Secretary or any person in management.
- (g) Exercise all power in relation to cricketing and non cricketing matters with the respective management personnel including CEO, reporting to him on a regular basis.
- (h) The management personnel, staff, and CEO shall work under the direct supervision, control and directions of the Secretary.

(As per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-9-2022) in the above rule of 7.3 sub clause (f) has added with " or any person in management and sub clause (g) and (h) has been added.)

(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 ACA.





(5) THE TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

- (i) Receive all subscriptions and donations and the monies payable and /or receivable by the ACA;
- (ii) Be one of the three persons who sign the audited annual accounts and other financial statements of the ACA.
- (iii) Keep accounts of all monies received and expended by the ACA, in respect of assets, credits and liabilities of the ACA.
- (iv) Prepare statement of accounts.
- (v) Place before the Apex Council:
 - (i) Annual Balance Sheet;
 - (ii) Statement of accounts
 - (iii) Annual Budget;
- (vi) Place before the Annual General Meeting duly audited:
 - (i) Annual Balance Sheet; and
 - (ii) Statement of Accounts of the ACA;
- (vii) Invest and/or disburse the funds of the ACA, 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.
- (viii) Prepare budgets to be presented at the Annual General Meeting, Special General Meetings and Meetings of the Apex Council.
- (ix) Coordinate with the Auditor as well as the CEO to obtain insight into the utilization of funds by the Full 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 business shall be transacted at every Annual General Meeting of the General Body:
 - (a) Confirmation of the minutes of the previous General Meetings.
 - (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 25 and 26 respectively.
 - (h) Consideration of:
 - (1) the Report and recommendations of the Apex Council, the CEO and the Committees and to propose policy directions to the Apex Council.
 - (2) the Report and recommendations of the Governing Council and to propose policy directions to the Apex Council.
 - (3) any amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the ACA, provided no amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the ACA proposed by a Full Member shall be considered unless the proposals for amendments are received by the Secretary before 31st July.





- (4) the Reports of the Ombudsman and Ethics Officer and any recommendations made therein.
- (i) Consideration of any motion, notice whereof is given by a Full 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 ACA's Representative or Representatives on the BCCI and/or similar organizations.
 - (k) Consideration of any other business which the President may consider necessary to be included in the agenda.
 - (l) 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 ACA 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 before the date fixed for the meeting.





9. 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 10 Full Members specially stating the business to be transacted at such meetings. 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' 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.

10. QUORUM AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- (1) One third 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 to the same date of the following month and at the same place and time. If at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present within an hour from the time of the meeting, the Full Members present shall form the quorum.
- (2) For a Special General Meeting ten Full 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 an hour. If at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present, the Full 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 I Special General Meeting, each Full Member shall have one vote. The Associate Members shall have no vote.
- (2) At an Annual General Meeting I 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.

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 draw of lots.

CHAPTER FOUR: GOVERNANCE

14. THE APEX COUNCIL

- (1) There shall be an Apex Council for the ACA which shall be primarily responsible for the governance of the affairs of the ACA.
- (2) The Apex Council shall comprise of 9 Councilors of whom 5 shall be the elected Office Bearers as per Rule 6 and the remaining 4 shall be:





- (a) One to be elected by the Full Members of the ACA from among their representatives;
 - (b) Two to be nominated by the Players' Association from amongst themselves, one male and one female;
 - (c) One to be nominated by the Accountant General of Andhra Pradesh from among the serving senior functionaries of the AG's office, co- terminus terminous with the nominee's tenure;
- (3) A person shall be disqualified from being a Councilor 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.
 - (e) has been an Office Bearer of the ACA for a cumulative period of 9 years.
 - (f) Has been convicted by a Court of Law for commission of criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment.

(The above clause of 14.3 is amended and some portion of sub clause (d) (or holds a public office is removed),

total sub clause (e) holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from Cricket has been removed)

Sub clause (g) has been charged by a court of Law for having committed any criminal offence, i.e, an order framing charges has been passed by a court of law having competent jurisdiction has been amended as “has been convicted by a court of Law for commission of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment” As per the direction of Hon’ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)

Note: The point (e) is deleted and thereby point (f) and (g) became (e) and (f) in the amendment.





- (4) (1) Each of the elected Office Bearers shall have a term of 3 years in office, subject to a maximum of 3 Terms on the Apex Council.

A Councilor who has held any post for two consecutive terms in the ACA shall not be eligible to contest any further elections in ACA without completing a cooling off period of three years.

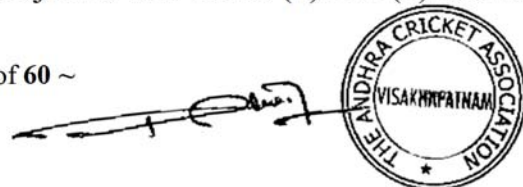
During the cooling off period, such an Office Bearers shall not be a member of the Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of the ACA. The expression 'Office Bearers' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA.

- (2) If a person has served to consecutive terms each, in the state association and in the BCCI (or Vice Versa) continuously without any break, such person shall not be eligible to be a councilor in ACA or in BCCI the without completing a cooling off period of three years.

During the cooling off period, such an Office Bearers shall not be a member of the Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of the ACA or in BCCI. The expression 'Office Bearers' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA as the case may be.

(The above clause of 14.4 is bifurcated as 14.4.1 and 14.4.2 as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt.27-09-2022)

- (5) No individual, including one filling up a vacancy under Sub-Rule (9) below shall be a Office Bearers for more than 9 years. In the event of a Office Bearer completing 9 years before the expiry of his term, he shall cease to hold office on completion of 9 years.
- (6) No nominated Office Bearer shall have more than one term of 3 years.
- (7) Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in these Rules, a former President of the ACA 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.





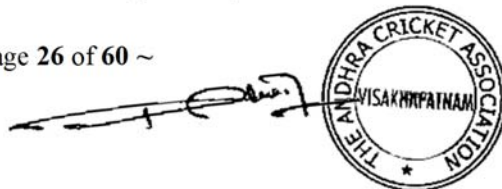
- (8) No Office Bearers once elected, shall hold any office in a Full Member Association. The Full Member shall take steps to fill up the vacancy so created immediately.
- (9) Any vacancy in the Apex Council due to death, resignation, insolvency, unsoundness of mind, nomination to the ACA other disqualification shall be filled up for the remaining period:

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

- (a) In the case of a nominated Office Bearers in the same manner as prescribed for the respective nominee in Rule 14(2) above;
- (10) For the purposes of the A.P. Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 No.25 of 1953, the governing body of the ACA shall be the Apex Council.

15. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE APEX COUNCIL

- (1) The affairs of the ACA shall be governed by the Apex Council and its framework of governance shall:
 - (a) Enable strategic guidance of the entity;
 - (b) Ensure efficient monitoring of management;
 - (c) Ensure the performance of the respective roles, responsibilities and powers of the CEO, Managers, Cricket Committees and Standing Committees, except the Governing Council; and
 - (d) 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 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, **through the secretary (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt.**





27-09-2022) 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 APL 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 the visits of foreign / other state cricket teams to Andhra and visits of Andhra teams to foreign countries / other states and to settle the terms on which such visits shall be conducted.
- (b) To lay down conditions on which Players shall take part in a tour to any foreign country **or to other state** and by which such Players shall be governed, including terms of payments to such Players.
- (c) To control, expand and regulate the finances of the ACA.
- (d) To institute or defend **through the secretary (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)** any action or proceedings for or against the ACA or against any Office- Bearer or employee of the ACA.
- (e) To mediate in regard to issues between Members, failing resolution of which a reference may be made to 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 ACA.
- (h) To collect funds and whenever necessary borrow not exceeding 25% of the General Fund with or without security for purposes of the ACA and to raise loans with or without security and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such security.
- (i) To fill up, till the following Annual General Meeting, any vacancy occurring of a member of 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 any other disqualification.

- (j) To frame rules and lay down conditions including those of travel, accommodation and allowances under which Indian Players shall take part in cricket tournaments/matches or Exhibition, Festival and Charity matches organized by the ACA or by a Member under the authority of the ACA in the course of a visit or tour of other cricket teams to Andhra.
- (k) To frame rules for the Inter District, Inter Zonals for the Ranji Trophy matches or Inter-Schools or other tournaments or for any Exhibition matches between members Teams in ACA region.
- (l) To frame rules regarding the appointment, service conditions and disciplinary action concerning employees and officers of the ACA.
- (m) To make the Tournament Rules for various domestic tournaments and exhibition matches involving Members, and other entities.
- (n) To frame, in consultation with the CEO, 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 ACA, 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 ACA.
- (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 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.





- (r) Generally to do all such other acts and things which are delegated to it by the ACA 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 (j),(k), (l), (m), (n) and (o) shall be subject to ratification by the ACA at its next meeting, failing which the rules shall lapse.
- (5) The Apex Council shall meet at least once every 3 months 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 Office Bearers. Any such requisition shall express the object of the meeting proposed to be called and shall be sent to the Secretary.
- (7) Fourteen days' clear notice of the Meeting of the Apex Council together with the Agenda shall be given to the Office Bearers for Special Meeting of the Apex Council convened for the purposes stated in Sub-Rule (6) above, Seven 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. ACA JURISDICTION OVER PLAYERS, MATCH OFFICIALS & TEAM OFFICIALS OF MEMBERS

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

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 ACA enquiring into the conduct of a Player, Match Official, Administrator, etc., the ACA shall proceed in the manner prescribed in Rules.

CHAPTER FIVE: MANAGEMENT

19. ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACA

- (1) The administrative office shall be at Dr YSR ACA-VCDACricket Stadium, Visakhapatnam in premises either owned by ACA or rented / lease by ACA and the administrative office shall be central secretariat of ACA.
- (2) The day-to-day management of the ACA shall be conducted by professionals in both cricketing and non- cricketing matters **under the direct supervision, direction and control of the respective office bearers. (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt.27-09-2022)**
- (3) The Governing Council of the APL 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





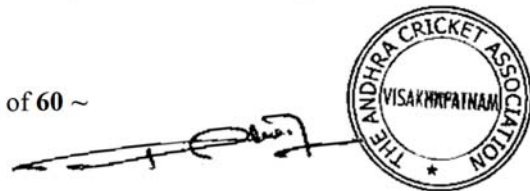
- (1) The management of cricketing matters such as selections, coaching and evaluation of team performance shall be exclusively handled by the Cricket Committees comprising only of Players as set out in Rule 26.
- (2) The management, evaluation and selection of umpires shall be done by the Umpires Committee comprising only of Umpires as set out in Rule 31.
- (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 ACA shall be appointed in a fair and transparent manner, and may be changed from time to time, as the ACA may deem expedient.
- (2) The bank account of the ACA shall be operated by 2/3 authorized signatories from out of a list of authorized signatories designated by the Apex Council from amongst the professional management who are based out of the ACA Headquarters at Guntur, Administrative Office, Visakhapatnam.
- (3) The CEO and the Cricket & Umpires Committees shall function independently in their respective domains without any interference or approval from each other.

23. THE CEO

- (1) The day-to-day management of the affairs of the ACA shall vest in a full time CEO to be appointed by the Apex Council, who shall be a management professional with management experience subject to the satisfaction of apex council.
- (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 reallocate 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; Understanding of financial position and fiscal direction of the ACA;
 - (b) Knowledge of operations of cricket administration and overall policy
 - (c) Clarity on roll, division of responsibilities and hierarchy and
 - (d) 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 ACA:

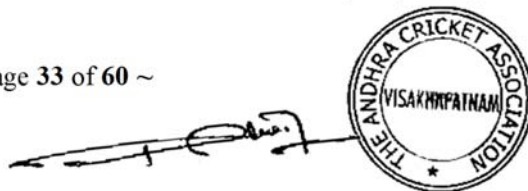
- (a) To implement all the Rules and Regulations made by the Governing Body and the Apex Council in regard to non-cricketing matters.
- (b) To issue guidelines in respect of travel, accommodation, allowances, etc., to be paid to players, support staff and officials participating in matches, other than national matches.
- (c) To lease and manage immovable property of the ACA wherever situated, in order to promote the objects of the ACA.
- (d) 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.
- (e) To appoint Team Officials for the Andhra teams which shall compulsorily include qualified coaches, managers, physiotherapists, nutritionists, trainers, analysts, counsellors, and medics. However, the Head Coach of each of the State Teams shall be appointed by the Cricket Advisory Committee referred to in Rule 26(2)A(ii) below.
- (f) To secure Players' welfare to ensure that the logistics manager will arrange for accommodation and travel, to ensure that tickets given





to Players for matches will be on par with those given to the Members, and to also ensure that no expenditures towards the game (baggage handling, injury related, etc.) will be undertaken by the Player, failing which such expenses will be reimbursed to the Player within 30 working days of the requisition being made. Also, to process requests made by Players to make arrangements for the accommodation and travel of their respective wives / partners / family members, wherever permitted.

- (g) 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.
- (h) 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 ACA.
- (i) 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.
- (j) To publicize the stadium capacity of all stadia under ACA control 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.
- (k) 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 exits and corridors, sufficient access avenues and wheelchairs for the differently-abled, proper signage, parking and transport facilities as well as efficient security systems.
- (l) To arrange and organize the Inter-District, Inter-Schools or other tournaments or for any Exhibition matches between members and / or between any interest organization including regulations and bye-laws in respect of travel, accommodation, allowances to be paid to players and officials participating in such matches.
- (m) To frame guidelines generally for the convenience and ease of day-to-day management of affairs of the ACA.
- (n) To prescribe guidelines to lay out or convert any ground into high quality turf wickets at all levels in all areas of the state 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.

- (o) To assist the Cricket Committees and facilitate the implementation of their tasks and recommendations.
- (p) 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 ACA.
- (q) To create a database of all cricketers at all levels, maintain records and statistics, track performances and certify age and identity of participants.
- (r) To take steps to create infrastructure at all levels in all areas across the State. To coordinate with District associations, to conduct tournaments, to provide better access to the public, with particular reference to women and the disabled.
- (s) To put in place mechanisms to encourage cricketers to play national level and hone their skills so that a wider talent pool is available to represent the District/state/ country.
- (t) To sign and enter transparently into contracts for and on behalf of the ACA including with third parties and vendors for the purposes of the various Committees of the ACA, 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.
- (u) 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 Andhra Pradesh.
- (v) 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 State.
- (w) 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.
- (x) To examine all the expenditure exceeding the Budget and to control such outlays as are required for the proper administration of the ACA.
- (y) To advise the ACA regarding investments.
- (z) 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 Tournament and when playing against other teams, both at home and away and to recommend the same to the Apex Council.

- (aa) To do all acts and things which are delegated by the ACA and Apex Council to him, and all other functions as are necessary and expedient to carry out the objects of the ACA as aforesaid including carry on correspondence in the name of the ACA.

25. THE STANDING COMMITTEES

- (1) The Standing Committees are the Committees that provide guidance and advice on behalf of the Members to the CEO.

- (2) The Standing Committees are:

A. **The Senior Tournament Committee**

- (i) The Senior Tournament Committee shall consist of Five persons appointed by the ACA at the annual General Meeting, one from each Zone.

- (ii) The Committee shall advise the CEO on the conduct of the following Tournaments in accordance with their respective rules as framed by the ACA:

- (a) Dr. Gangaraju Trophy
- (b) D.V. Subba Rao Trophy
- (c) Popular Cup Trophy
- (d) R.V.V.K. Prasad Trophy
- (e) As per allotment of any trophy by BCCI.

B. **The Tours, Fixtures & Technical Committee**

- (i) The Tours, Fixtures & Technical Committee shall consist of Five persons appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, one from each Zone. Such persons should have played a minimum of 10 Inter-State matches.

- (ii) The Committee shall, subject to any directions of the ACA, advise the CEO on the making of draws and fixing of dates and venues in respect of : tours of Andhra Team visiting in India or abroad;





- (a) Tours of Andhra Teams
 - (b) Tours of foreign teams visiting Andhra Pradesh, provided that all shall host one match (regardless of format) on a single tour; and
 - (c) All matches and Tournaments conducted/organized by the ACA.
- (iii) The Committee shall, subject to any directions of the General Body or the Apex Council, advise the CEO on the following:
- (a) Considering the laws of the game and amendments there to, experimental laws, technical matters that may be referred to it by the General Body.
 - (b) Framing and finalizing the playing conditions for all matches/tournaments conducted/organized by ACA.

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 Men's Selection Committee

- (i) The Men's Selection Committee shall select the Senior State Team for representation in Ranji Trophy and other tournaments organized by BCCI, One day, T20 format. This Committee shall also be responsible for providing evaluation reports of the respective team performances to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis.
- (ii) The Men's Selection Committee shall consist of Four Persons including Chairman to be appointed by a Cricket Advisory committee comprising of Reputed former Ranji players identified by ACA at the Annual General Meeting, subject to the following criteria
 - (a) Every member of the Men's Selection Committee





should have played a minimum of:

- (i) 5 Ranji Trophy Matches; or
 - (ii) Ten Inter-State Matches
- (b) Every member of the Men's Selection Committee should have retired from the game at least 3 years previously.
- (c) The senior most member among the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.
- (iii) The Men's Selection 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, 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.
- (iv) On 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.

B. The Junior Cricket Committee

- (i) The Junior Cricket Committee shall consist of Four persons including Chairman to be appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time. Only former Players who have played a minimum of 3 Ranji matches or 05 Inter- State/ Inter-University shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 3 years previously. The senior most amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.
- (ii) The Junior Cricket Committee shall:
- (i) Select all age group teams up to Under-23 years



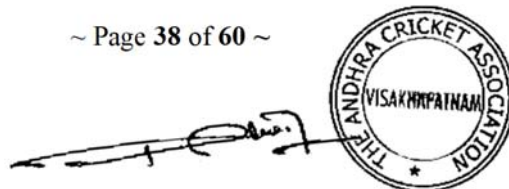


for the purpose of coaching camps or for playing against local or foreign teams within India or abroad in any format of the game.

- (ii) 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 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.
- (iii) Vet and select Coaches and Support Staff (physiotherapists, trainers, therapists, analysts and medics) for the respective teams, as well as providing evaluation reports of the respective team performances to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis.
- (iv) Organize and conduct junior tournaments of the ACA;
- (v) Organize junior tours of foreign countries;
- (vi) Decide any dispute in regard to junior tournaments;
- (vii) Inculcate proper ethics in the youth, particularly through interactions with senior and former Players on issues such as drugs, betting, match-fixing, etc.

C. The Women's Selection Committee

- (i) The Women's Selection Committee shall select the Women's State Team across all age groups for representation in Inter State, One Days, Twenty/20 and any other format. This Committee shall also be responsible for vetting and selecting Coaches and Support Staff (physiotherapists, trainers, therapists, analysts and medics) for the respective teams, as well





- as providing evaluation in reports of the respective team performances to the Apex Council on a monthly basis.
- (ii) The Women's Selection Committee shall consist of Four persons including Chairman to be appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time. Only former Players who have represented State, preferably given to Women State Players shall be eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 2 years previously. The senior amongst the members of the Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson.
 - (iii) The Women's Selection 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.
 - (iv) On 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.

D. The Women's Cricket Committee

- (i) The Women's Cricket Committee shall consist of three former women Players who have played at least Inter State matches. One Player shall be nominated from each Zone at the Annual General Meeting of the ACA, the senior most of whom shall be the Chairperson.
- (ii) The Committee shall:
 - (a) Draw up programmes of coaching at zonal and State levels. tournaments.
 - (b) Plan and conduct Women's Junior and Senior domestic matches
 - (c) Organize tours to other states in India or tours of





others 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.

E. The Zonal Selection Committees

- (i) The Zonal Selection Committee for each Zone shall select the Zonal Team from that Zone for inter-zonal competitions and trophies. This Committee shall also be responsible for vetting and selecting Coaches and Support Staff (physiotherapists, trainers, therapists, analysts and medics) for the Zonal Team from that Zone.
- (ii) The Zonal Selection Committee for each Zone shall consist of ONE Selector from each Full Member from that Zone, who shall be nominated by the respective Associations at the Annual General Meeting of the ACA. Only former Players who have played at least 03 State Matches/05 Inter University matches are eligible to be appointed to this Committee, provided that they have retired from the game at least 3 years previously. The senior most amongst the members of each Zonal Selection Committee shall be appointed as the Chairperson for the respective Zonal, Selection Committee.
- (iii) The Zonal Selection Committee shall appoint a Captain for the team, 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.

F. The Differently-Abled Cricket Committee

- (i) The Differently-Abled Cricket Committee shall consist of THREE persons to be appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, on such terms and conditions as may be





decided by the Apex Council from time to time. Only former Differently-abled Players who have represented the State in any format of the game shall be eligible to be 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 the Players shall be the Chairperson.

- (ii) The Differently-abled Cricket Committee shall, in consultation with the Cricket Talent Committee, select the Differently-abled State Teams across all age groups for representation in any format of matches. In addition, this Committee shall also propose to the CEO the best practices to be inculcated including coaching, counselling 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 ACA and evolve training programmes and raise awareness.
- (iii) 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 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.

G. The Cricket Talent Committee

- (i) The Cricket Talent Committee shall consist of THREE persons to be appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Apex Council from time to time. Only former Players who have played at least 10 First Class games and preferably with the highest level of coaching certification shall be eligible to be appointed to this





Committee. The senior most among the Players shall be the Chairperson.

(ii) This Committee shall:

- (i) Be responsible for scouting for talent in men, junior, women and disabled cricket.
- (ii) Organize the framework within /District/Zonal Cricket Academies will be established and perform.
- (iii) Create the programmes and coaching centers for coaching at regional and state levels;
- (iv) Improve infrastructure in all areas of the state;
- (v) 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;
- (vi) Encourage the youth to take up cricket by setting up promotional camps and other avenues of engagement with the game; and
- (vii) Provide evaluation reports of the targets set and achieved and the details of its programmes to the Apex Council on a quarterly basis.

27. No person who has been a member of any Cricket Committee for a total of 5 years shall be eligible to be a member of any Cricket Committee.

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

29. 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.

30. The Apex Council is empowered to add any further Cricket Committees as may be required, particularly to cater to weaker sections of society.

31. THE UMPIRES COMMITTEE

(a) The Umpires Committee shall consist of THREE persons appointed by the ACA at the Annual General Meeting, each of whom shall have been a former **First class** umpire from Andhra Pradesh. In the



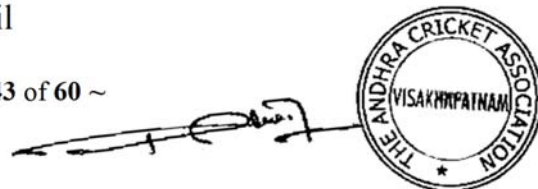


event of such a person not being available, any umpire who has officiated in at least 10 First Class Inter-State matches shall be eligible to be appointed. No person may be a member of this Committee for more than 5 years. The senior most umpire shall be the Chairperson of the Committee.

- (b) The function of the Umpires Committee shall be to standardize umpiring throughout Andhra and to draw up and maintain a panel of Umpires to officiate matches in Andhra and classify them into Elite Panel and Plate 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.
- (c) The Committee shall appoint umpires for all State / Inter-District / Inter- Zonal matches 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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 in regard to amendments, alterations and additions to the laws of the game.

32. THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

- (a) The Governing Council of the APL shall consist of SEVEN members who shall be inducted at every Annual General Body Meeting of the ACA. The term of the members of the Governing Council (other than the Secretary, Treasurer, AG nominee and CEO) shall be one year.
- (b) The composition of the Governing Council shall be as follows:
 - (i) four representatives of the General Body, of which two shall be the Secretary and Treasurer, and two others to be elected by the General Body;
 - (ii) One representative of the Cricket Players' Association (other than the representatives on the Apex Council);
 - (iii) The Councilor who is the nominee of the Account General on the Apex Council





- (iv) The CEO of the ACA;
- (c) One of the two elected Member representatives shall be the Chairperson of the Governing Council.
- (d) All decisions relating to the APL would be taken by the Governing Council by majority and in case of equality of votes the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.
- (e) The Governing Council shall maintain a separate Bank Account which shall be operated by two authorized signatories from out of a list of authorized signatories designated by the Governing Council from amongst the professional management who are based out of the ACA Headquarters at Guntur, Administrative Office, Visakhapatnam.
- (f) The Governing Council shall, at the following Meeting of the General Body, submit a report along with all decisions taken by it.

33. IN ADVERTENT OMISSION TO GIVE NOTICE OF MEETING

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

34. PERMISSION TO CONDUCT TOURNAMENTS.

- (a) No Club affiliated to a member shall conduct or organize any tournament or any matches in which players/teams from the region within the jurisdiction of a member are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the member affiliated to the ACA.
- (b) No member or a Club affiliated to a member shall conduct or organize any tournament or any match/matches in which players/teams from regions outside their jurisdiction are participating or are likely to participate without the previous permission of the ACA.
- (c) Permission for conducting or organizing any tournament or match/matches will be accorded only to the members of the ACA and will be in accordance with the rules framed by the ACA in this regard from time to time.
- (d) No member or a Club affiliated to a member 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 ACA. Permission for conducting or organizing any International Tournaments or International match/matches will only be accorded to the members of the ACA on special occasions.

- (e) Members or their affiliates desirous of undertaking tours abroad or inviting foreign teams shall obtain the previous permission of the ACA, which may be granted in accordance with the Rules framed by the ACA.

35. BAN ON PARTICIPATION IN UNAPPROVED TOURNAMENTS

- (a) No Member shall participate or extend help of any kind to an unapproved Tournament.
- (b) No Player, Umpire, Scorer, Official or other person associated with the ACA shall participate in any unapproved tournament.
- (c) The Apex Council shall take appropriate action including suspension and stoppage of financial benefits and any other action against individuals / Members contravening the above.

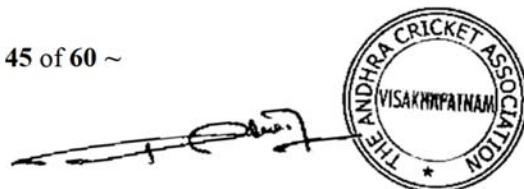
CHAPTER SIX: ELECTIONS

36. 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.

37. THE ELECTORAL OFFICER

- (a) 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 member of the Election Commission of Andhra.
- (b) The Electoral Officer shall oversee and supervise the entire election process including scrutiny of the electoral rolls for Office Bearers which shall include all nominations and candidatures being subject to his scrutiny in accordance with the Rules.
- (c) 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 Electoral Officer shall decide the





same and such decision shall be final and conclusive.

CHAPTER SEVEN: AUDIT & ACCOUNTS

38. AUDITOR(S):

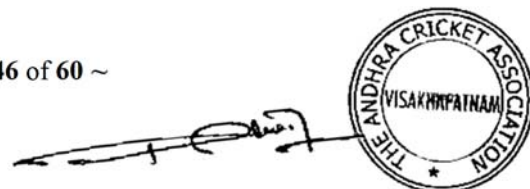
- (a) The General Body shall at every Annual General Meeting appoint one or more auditors to hold office for a 1 year period and shall fix their remuneration. The Auditor shall be eligible for reappointment by the General Body.
- (b) The Auditor(s) of the ACA shall have the right of access at all times to the Books of Accounts, Vouchers and any other documents relating to the accounts of the ACA 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.
- (c) The Auditor(s) shall provide an opinion on the financial statements of the ACA and recommendations on the financial controls within the system, which shall be contained in a Financial Report.
- (d) The Auditor(s) shall also ascertain how the funds of the ACA are being utilized by the respective Members. It will be the responsibility of the Auditor(s) to verify the statements made by the Member associations in this regard and to give findings, which shall be contained in a Compliance Report.
- (e) Both the Financial Report and the Compliance Report of the Auditor(s) shall be considered at the Annual General Meeting.

39. ACCOUNTS

True accounts shall be kept by the Treasurer of all money received and expended by the ACA and the matters in respect of which such receipts and expenditure take place and of all assets, credits and liabilities of the ACA. This shall include the separate account maintained for the APL as well.

40. 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 ACA 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

41. TRANSPARENCY

- (a) The Memorandum of Association, Rules and Regulations and all other resolutions, orders and memorandam of the ACA (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 ACA.
- (b) 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 ACA 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.
- (c) All payments and expenditures made by the ACA which is in excess of Rs. 15 lakh shall be enumerated and uploaded on the website.
- (d) All proceedings and conclusions of the Ombudsman and the Electoral Officer shall be uploaded on the Website of the ACA annually.
- (e) The audited accounts, balance sheets, profit & loss accounts and annual reports shall be uploaded on the Website of the ACA annually.
- (f) The Financial and Compliance Reports of the Auditor shall be placed on the Website of the ACA annually.
- (g) All notices on or behalf of the ACA including tenders for goods and services, for contractual arrangements and the like shall be promptly uploaded on the Website of the ACA.
- (h) The website of the ACA shall have dedicated links to all the stadia in the State which host international matches, along with their complete seating capacity, pricing and transparent booking procedures for all tournaments whether international, domestic or APL. 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.

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42. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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

(i) ***Direct or Indirect Interest:*** When the ACA, a Member, the APL 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 ACA 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 APL Governing Council. The APL 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 District Association. D's wife E has shares in an APL Franchisee which enters into a stadium contract with the District Association. D is hit by Indirect Conflict of Interest.

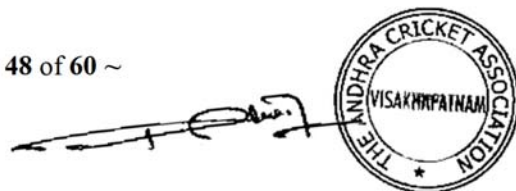
Illustration 4: F is President of the ACA. His son-in-law is a Team Official of a Franchisee. F is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

(ii) ***Roles compromised:*** When the individual holds two separate or distinct posts or positions under the ACA, a Member, the APL 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 APL Franchisee. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 2: B is Secretary of the ACA. He is also President





of a District Association. B is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

Illustration 4: Dis a Selector. He is also coach of an APL 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 I: A runs a cricket academy. He is appointed as a selector. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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

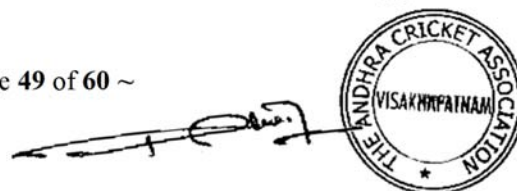
Illustration 3: C is a selector. He is contracted to write a column on a tour that the national team is on. C is hit by Conflict of Interest.

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 APL Governing Council: He is engaged by a cricket broadcaster to act as an APL commentator. Eis 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 ACA, its Member, the APL or the Franchisee.

Illustration I: A is President of the ACA. Prior to his taking office, he has been engaged professionally for his services by a firm B. After A becomes President, Bis appointed as the





official consultants of the ACA. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 2: B is the Secretary of a District 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 APL. 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 APL. D is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 4: F is the Captain of an APL 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 ACA;

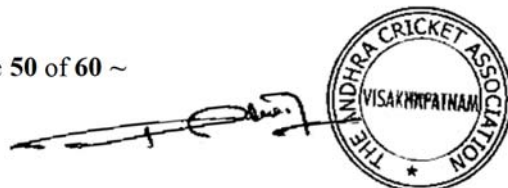
Illustration 1: A is a selector. His son is in the zone of consideration for selection. A is hit by Conflict of Interest.

Illustration 2: B is the Secretary of a District Association. He also runs a cricket academy in the District. 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 District Association and his company F owns 12 cricket clubs in the District from which probables are selected for the District team. E is hit by Conflict of Interest.

EXPLANATION: The Illustrations which refer to a President



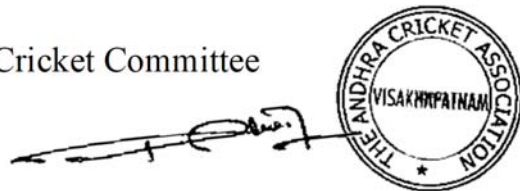


/Secretary / Vice- President may be read as illustrations referring to any other Office Bearer, and also to the members of the Apex Council, the Governing Council and the Committees.

- (b) Within a period of 15 days of taking any office under the ACA, 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 ACA. 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.
- (c) A Conflict of Interest may be either Tractable or Intractable:
- (i) 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.
 - (ii) 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 3 to 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.

- (d) 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
 - (k) Member of a Standing Committee
 - (l) CEO & Managers
 - (m) Office Bearer of a Member
 - (n) Service Provider (Legal, Financial, etc.)
 - (o) Contractual entity (Broadcast, Security, Contractor, etc.)
 - (p) Owner of a Cricket Academy
- (e) As far as incumbents are concerned, every disclosure mandated under Sub-Rule (3) may be made within 90 days of the Effective Date.

43. THE ETHICS OFFICER

- (a) The ACA 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 ACA after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the ACA 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.
- (b) Any instance of Conflict of Interest may be taken cognizance of by the Ethics Officer: or email address; or
 - (a) Suo Motu;
 - (b) By way of a complaint in writing to the official postal address
 - (c) On a reference by the Apex Council;
- (c) After considering the relevant factors and following the principles of natural justice, the Ethics Officer may do any of the following:
 - i. Declare the conflict as Tractable and direct that:
 - (i) the person declare the Conflict of Interest as per Rule. 42(c) or
 - (ii) the interest that causes the person rescue from the





- conflict be relinquished; or
- (iii) the person recuse from discharging the obligation or duty so vested in him or her.
- ii. 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

44. THE OMBUDSMAN

- (a) The ACA shall appoint 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 High Court so appointed by the ACA after obtaining his/her consent and on terms as determined by the ACA in keeping with the dignity and stature of the office. The term of the Ombudsman shall be one year, subject to a maximum of 3 terms in office.
- (b) The ACA shall, in consultation with the CEO frame Regulations regarding the discipline and conduct of the Players, Match Officials, Team Officials, Administrators, Committee Members and others associated with the ACA.

45. GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

- (a) The types of disputes/ differences that form the Ombudsman's ambit and the procedures for redressal are:
- i. **Member, Association & Franchisee Disputes**

Any disputes between or among the ACA, its Members, APL 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.

ii. Detriment caused by Member or Administrator

If any Member or any Administrator of the ACA commits any act of indiscipline or misconduct or acts in any manner which may or likely to be detrimental to the interest of the ACA or the game of cricket or endanger the harmony or affect the reputation or interest of the ACA or refuses or neglects to comply with any of the provisions of the Memorandum and/or the Rules and Regulations of the ACA and/or the Rules of conduct framed by the ACA, 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.

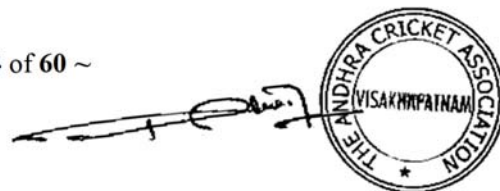
Procedure: The Ombudsman shall, after providing

opportunity of hearing to the parties concerned, pass an appropriate order.

iii. 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 ACA, 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.

iv. By the Public against the ACA

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.

- (a) 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 for Players, Team Officials, Administrators, Managers and Match Officials of the ACA.
- (b) The decision of the Ombudsman shall be final and binding and shall come into force forthwith on being pronounced and delivered.

CHAPTER TEN: MISCELLANEOUS

46. NOTICE

- (a) Any notice required to be served on any Member of the ACA or any Administrator or other entity shall be addressed to their registered addresses.
- (b) All notices shall be served by way of electronic mail to the official e-mail addresses as are furnished to the ACA.
- (c) Any notice sent via post or e-mail 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.





47. INDEMNITY

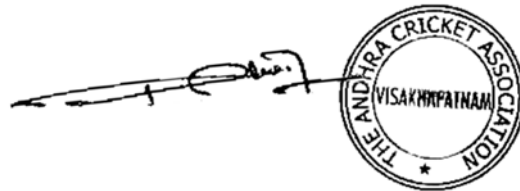
Every Office-bearer, Councilor, CEO, Manager or a Member of a Committee of the ACA shall be indemnified out of the ACA's funds against all losses and expenses incurred in the discharge of his or her duties, except those which have occurred through will full act or default and if so, each one shall be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

48. SUITS BY OR AGAINST ACA

The ACA shall sue or be sued in the name of the Secretary

49. AMENDMENT AND REPEAL

These Rules and Regulations of ACA shall not be repealed, added to, amended or altered 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 conveyed 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/High Court of Andhra Pradesh.





The following amendments are compiled in the bye laws of ACA as per the orders of Supreme court in its order dated 14-09-2022 in IA 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal 4235/2014 and accepted by the Annual General Meeting of ACA Dt. 27-09-2022.

- 6.4. (1) An office bearer who has held any post for two consecutive terms in the ACA 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 the ACA. The expression 'office bearer' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA, as the case may be.

- (2) If a person has served to consecutive terms each, in the state association and in the BCCI (or Vice Versa) continuously without any break, such person shall not be eligible to contest any further election in the state association or in the BCCI, 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 the ACA or BCCI. The expression 'office bearer' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA, as the case may be.

(The above clause of 6.4 is bifurcated as 6.4.1 and 6.4.2 as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)

- 6.5. A person shall be disqualified from being an Office Bearer, a member of the Governing Council or any Committee or a representative to the BCCI or any similar organization 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.
- (e) has been an Office Bearer of the ACA for a cumulative period of 9 years.
- (f) Has been convicted by a Court of Law for commission of criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment.

(The above clause of 6.5 is amended and some portion of subclause (d) or holds a public office is removed),

total sub clause (e) is removed holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from Cricket has been removed)

Sub clause (g) has been charged by a court of Law for having committed any criminal offence, i.e, an order framing charges has been passed by a court of law having competent jurisdiction has been amended as “ has been convicted by a court of Law for commission of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment” as per the direction of Hon’ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)

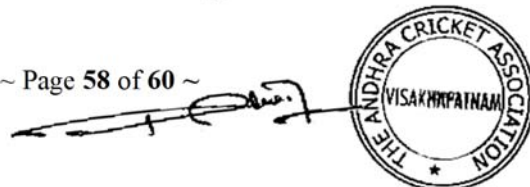
Note : The point (e) is deleted and point (f) became (e) as per the above amendment.

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- (f) Have the power to delegate any work to the Honorary Joint Secretary or any person in management.
- (g) Exercise all power in relation to cricketing and non cricketing matters with the respective management personnel including CEO, reporting to him on a regular basis.
- (h) The management personnel, staff, and CEO shall work under the direct supervision, control and directions of the Secretary.

As per the direction of Hon’ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 7-9-2022) in the above rule of 7.3 a subclause (f) has added with “ or any person in management and subclause (g) and (h) has been added.

14...(3) A person shall be disqualified from being a Councilor 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.
- (e) has been an Office Bearer of the ACA for a cumulative period of 9 years.
- (f) Has been convicted by a Court of Law for commission of criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment.

(The above clause of 14.3 is amended and some portion of subclause

(d) (or holds a public office is removed),

total sub clause (e) is removed holds any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from Cricket has been removed)

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Note : The point (e) is deleted and thereby point (f) and (g) became

(e) and (f) in the amendment.

14.(4)(1) Each of the elected Office Bearers shall have a term of 3 years in office, subject to a maximum of 3 Terms on the Apex Council.

A Councilor who has held any post for two consecutive terms in the ACA shall not be eligible to contest any further elections in ACA without completing a cooling off period of three years.

During the cooling off period, such a Office Bearers shall not be a member of the Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of the ACA. The expression 'Office Bearers' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA.





- (2) If a person has served to consecutive terms each, in the state association and in the BCCI (or Vice Versa) continuously without any break, such person shall not be eligible to be a councilor in ACA or in the BCCI without completing a cooling off period of three years.

During the cooling off period, such a Office Bearer shall not be a member of the Governing Council or of any committee whatsoever of the ACA or in BCCI. The expression 'Office Bearers' should not be permitted to be circumvented by being a member of any other committee or of the Governing Council in ACA as the case may be.

(The above clause of 14.4 is bifurcated as 14.4.1 and 14.4.2 as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt.27-09-2022)

15. (3) The Apex Council shall exercise superintendence over the CEO, the Cricket Committees and the Standing Committees, **through the secretary (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt.27-09-2022)** 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 APL which is directly accountable to the General Body.

- 15.4. (d) To institute or defend **through the secretary (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)** any action or proceedings for or against the ACA or against any Office- Bearer or employee of the ACA.

- 19.2 The day-to-day management of the ACA shall be conducted by professionals in both cricketing and non- cricketing matters **under the direct supervision, direction and control of the respective office bearers. (amended and added as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme court of India in IA No 49930/2020 in Civil Appeal No. 4235/2014 Dt. 14-09-2022, accepted by the ACA in its AGM dt. 27-09-2022)**

