

MADHYA PRADESH CRICKET ASSOCIATION, INDORE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE OF THE MADHYA PRADESH CRICKET ASSOCIATION, INDORE, HELD ON 11th August 2018

(as confirmed by the Managing Committee in its meeting held on 15.9.2019)

A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association (MPCA) was held on 11th August 2018 at 7.00 pm at Hotel Sayaji, Indore.

The following members were present -

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

The Hon. Secretary extended warm welcome to all members present in the house.

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

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

In his short address to the house covering the activities of the Association after the previous meeting held in April 2018, Dr. Nishith Patel highlighted the success of IPL matches played under auspices of MPCA at Holkar Stadium. This year we had the opportunity to associate with 4 matches, which was 1 additional game as compared to the IPL 2017 season. He appreciated the efforts taken by MPCA and congratulated all those who had contributed in this success.

He also mentioned about the procurement of lands at Morena (for Chambal Division) and at Rewa (for Rewa Division), and the status of development work at these places. The ground at Hoshangabad has taken desired shape and very soon the routine cricket activities shall blossom at this ground. With addition of these three grounds, and the playfield at Gwalior (International stadium site) being ready, MPCA now owns 8 grounds at various places, including the Holkar Stadium. Development of infrastructure to this extent in a period of 7-8 years is a rare scene. He appreciated the teamwork within MPCA for such achievement.

Agenda item 1 : To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Managing Committee held on 2.4.2018.

With reference to the draft minutes of the meeting held on 2.4.2018, following discussion took place -

- i. Referring to the details mentioned at point no. 3 (significant recommendations / decisions by office bearers), a member inquired as to whether the details stated at point no. i to ix were informed to the committee during the past meeting.

The CAO affirmed having explained such details to the house, and if need be the audio recording can be referred to. Few members asserted that the details were shared during the last meeting.

- ii. Mr. Kamal Shrivastava requested the house to modify the point no. 3.11 as under -

It was proposed to appoint neutral umpires for all matches of all tournaments conducted by MPCA.

The above suggestion was accepted by the house.

Subject to above, the minutes were approved as proposed.

Thereafter, discussion took place in terms of 'action taken' on the issues discussed during previous meeting.

- i. There was an inquiry about the status of disbursing 'Monthly Benevolence Contribution' benefit to the players enrolled for the scheme in view of the decision to lower the age (for applicability) to 40 years.

It was informed that the database in respect of new beneficiaries is ready and within next few weeks the disbursement would get due effect.

- ii. Referring to point no. 3.10 (*explore possibilities for any monetary benefit that could be extended to the divisional players*), there was inquiry about any possibility / opportunity that is identified which can be used for extending any monetary benefit to the divisional players.

It was informed that there is a proposal for discussion during this meeting. This proposal is an 'incentive scheme' for 'outright victories' in Inter Divisional circuit. If the proposal is approved, this shall be of considerable benefit to the players in the Divisional teams.

- iii. Referring to point no. 3.14 (*replace old ground equipment given to Divisions on case to case basis considering the wear & tear*), there was inquiry about progress in this regard.

It was informed that the budget for the year 2018-19 has covered this aspect. However, in view of the stoppage of funds from BCCI, the budget for several activities is required to be treated as 'subject to' restoration of funds.

- iv. Referring to point no. 3.16 (*group insurance for players in the divisional circuit to meet treatment costs owing to on-field accidents*), there was inquiry about progress in this regard.

It was informed that there has been no concrete proposal with us as on date.

- v. Referring to point no. 3.17 (*unfair selection / omission of players in the womens team*) there was inquiry about progress in this regard.

It was informed that a meeting was held with the Chairperson of the particular selection committee. She explained few 'cricket oriented' points in relation to certain issues. More or less it appears to be a matter of 'lack of communication' between the concerned. However, this facet requires confirmation from few persons actively involved in the process of coaching / selection and a meeting is scheduled to take place on this issue.

- vi. Referring to point no. 2 under the item 'significant recommendations / decisions by office bearers', there was a query about any progress.

Mr. Kamal Shrivastava explained about his discussion with State Government official handling such matters. It was expected that a communication from the department shall be issued to MPCA.

It was discussed to follow the matter routinely.

- vii. Referring to point no. 3.13 (*requirement of GST registration by the Divisions*) there was inquiry about progress in this regard.

It was informed that all Divisions have already complied with this requirement.

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

The CAO informed the house that a set of recommendations was circulated to the members along with the notice / agenda for this meeting. In addition to this, few recommendations were received from certain

committees in the interim period. Such recommendations are provided to the members now, which should be considered as a part of this agenda.

The CAO also pointed out the recommendation of the Finance Committee in relation to the financial position of MPCA due to stoppage of funds from BCCI since October 2016, and as such it was essential to keep a close watch on the funds position before adopting any proposal having additional financial impact (as compared to previous pattern). For instance, a list of infrastructure related work having highest priority is prepared and it is recommended that only such works would be executed till the time regular flow of funds from BCCI was not restored.

Thereafter, the Committee considered this agenda point.

Subject to the discussion on following points (and any modifications resulting out of this), the recommendations tabled before the house were approved as proposed.

Recommendation by Cricket Development Committee :

- i. With reference to recommendation no. 2.1, it was proposed to add 'bat' as an item of kit that is proposed to be supplied to the Districts.

It was explained that 'bat' becomes very personal equipment depending upon weight / height etc. Also, this item is most prone for damages. Hence, controlling this would be practical difficulty.

After discussion, it was decided to add 'bat' as a part of the kit to be provided to districts. This could be either in kind or reimbursement of expenses.

- ii. With reference to recommendation no. 2.5, after detailed discussion, particularly related to overcrowding of domestic season and change in sequence of BCCI tournaments, it was decided to go ahead with the new tournament subject to timeslot.

An issue related to certain domestic tournament of MPCA not being organised for a particular season was also discussed. As a case, not conducting a tournament for senior category in recent times was cited.

It was explained to the house that the background to this situation was sudden change in the sequence of tournaments organised by BCCI and based on which the domestic circuit of MPCA is designed. Due to this change from BCCI, there was no time slot left for MPCA tournament. Hence, it was decided to organise few selection trial matches within the time available and select MP team. Hence, the particular tournament of MPCA for this season was not conducted.

It was explained that organising any domestic tournament has two significant purposes i.e. first to identify talent on basis of performances in such tournaments, and second to provide playing opportunities to players to develop their abilities. Every tournament has a cost factor and hence the cost-benefit analysis of conducting a tournament only for the second purpose should be understood and an appropriate policy for such situation be framed.

After discussion it was decided that Tournament committee should decide appropriately after considering following factors -

- a. Take feeler from BCCI about possible tournament sequence beforehand so as to decide our schedule within time;
 - b. In case of unexpected change, the tournament should be held subsequently as it will help in building statistical base for player. Performance in such deferred tournaments should be considered for next season requirement. Selectors should be made aware of this to avoid complications when the team is to be selected.
- iii. With reference to recommendation no. 3, the abysmal performance by certain divisions was noted with great pain. As also, the drastic difference of points between the first ranked Division and the second rank Division was also observed.

A suggestion to streamline the marking system (*particularly the high % of marks for the parameter related to performance in Inter Divisional Tournaments*) was disapproved. It was stressed that performance in tournaments is the fundamental aspect of rating. Instead of revising the scoring scale, Divisions who have scored less need to introspect and improve.

Citing example of Bhopal, it was mentioned that though the administrative framework here is not in proper shape for last few years, this team is reasonably consistent in its performance in the tournaments. Unless we have high benchmarks, neither the Divisions nor MPCA would grow.

Reference was made to the growing trend of 'out of state' players being included in the side to excel. It was discussed that our priority should be to perform with players developed through our system and set-up. Careful inclusion of such players in a need-based situation is essential. Else, our local talent shall be deprived of the efforts taken by us and shall reflect a system failure.

There was a suggestion to seek presentation from Divisions about their functioning and performance.

- iv. With reference to the draft guidelines for selectors, an instance of a player selected by NCA (in all india list) but overlooked for MP team was cited.

Further, mentioning the text under 'issue no. 1, point no. iv, it was tried to know the precise meaning of the expression *'performance in other tournaments of selectorial significance* issue no. 1 (iv).

Replying to this, as an example, it was explained that when selecting an U/23 side, the selectors should also consider eligible and performing players in open tournament or the U/19 tournament so that the best bunch can be selected. The aim should be identify 'best suitable players' as per the requirement and not necessarily stick to the performance in U/23 inter divisional tournament only.

Taking a cue from this, Mr. Sanjay Jagdale advised that not only the state selectors but even the Division selectors should pay attention towards the 'continuity' facet of selections. There have been instances

where a player is in junior team of MP and has performed well but is not a part of the next level team of a Division (eg. a meritorious player in MP U/19 team is not finding place in U/23 division team). Such situations should be necessarily avoided. Such players should be a part of grooming process even at Divisional stage. May be as per the team requirement such player may not be fielded for a game or two but discarding them outrightly is not a positive action.

Recommendation by Finance Committee :

- i. With reference to point no. 7, a query was raised whether certificate from the Division would suffice the need. Obtaining a certificate from a CA may require payment of professional fees.

After discussion, it was decided that such certificate shall be issued by the CA who is annually engaged by the Divisions.

Recommendation by the Office Bearers :

- i. The Hon. Secretary pointed out to an omission of mention of the decision to stop appointment of observers for Inter Divisional matches. If required, the selectors shall be requested to provide feedback about the aspects that were previously monitored by the observers.

This was approved.

Recommendation by the Scrutiny Committee :

The committee approved the recommendations.

It was advised to write a brief note about the candidates who were recommended for membership. This shall help the committee members to know more about the new candidates.

Agenda item 2 : To approve the draft Annual Report for the year 2017-18.

Correction / modification was suggested to certain points.

Subject to this, the draft of the annual report was approved.

Agenda item 3 : To approve the Audited Statement of Accounts and the Auditors Report for the financial year 2017-18.

The Committee discussed the aspects related to the Audited Statement of Accounts and the Auditors Report for the financial year 2017-18.

Queries on certain points related to accounting pattern / system were explained to the satisfaction.

The recommendations of the finance committee relevant to this issue were accepted and the Audited Statement of Accounts and the Auditors Report for the financial year 2017-18 was approved with the recommendation for the re-appointment of M/s Anil Kamal Garg as the auditor of MPCA for 2018-19.

Agenda item 4 : To consider and approve the proposed annual budget for the year 2018-19.

There was a suggestion to take efforts to reduce the expenses for 'non cricket' activities as compared to the previous period's actual expenses.

After discussion, the budget was approved as proposed by the Finance Committee.

Agenda item 5 : Decide the details of the forthcoming Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.

After discussion, it was agreed to authorise the Hon. Secretary to decide the same in consultation with other office bearers.

Agenda item 6 : Consider any other matter with the permission of the chair.

6.1 The circular resolutions in the past were noted.

6.2 The Hon. Secretary, IDCA, invited attention of the house to the long pending requirement of purchase of land for developing ground at Indore. One of the land suggested to the Ground & land Purchase Committee of MPCA was principally considered to be favourable in terms of location. The committee members opined to purchase adequate sized land which can accommodate a ground (for division) plus have land suitable for futuristic development of stadium. In view of the requirement related to future stadium, the land in question is not being considered favourable owing to certain restrictions (particularly the high-mast). Hence, though being favourable for division ground, the land option is not finding sanction.

After discussion, it was agreed to consider the priority of Division. If we can identify a land suitable for combined development then it is fine, but if such option is not available then the land required for development of ground for division should be given priority as per budget provision.

Hon. Secretary of Shahdol Division also requested for expediting process of land purchase for ground at Shahdol.

6.3 The house was informed about a letter written by senior members that covered certain significant points.

The facts / suggestions mentioned in the letter should be given a serious thought. We should devise a system by which the Managing Committee can assess the working and performance of our selectors, coaches, staff, other committees etc. Recognising and appreciating good work on part of our associates is necessary, as also a course of action for lesser performance.

Also, the process of healthy dialogue between our members, committees should be strengthened for a continuous development as an Association.

There was a recommendation to set a schedule for meetings of the Managing Committee and also other sub-committee.

6.4 The Committee discussed and agreed to expedite the process of constitution amendment in view of the recent judgment by the Hon'ble Supreme Court delivered on 9th August 2018. After the approval of the general body and BCCI COA, the elections should be held. As far as possible we should avoid major policy decisions till the time a new managing committee assumes charge.

6.5 The Hon. Secretary informed the house about a letter from Mr. Sushil Doshi (expressing his intent for instituting an award in name of his beloved mother. The award shall be given in recognition of the important role played by mothers of meritorious cricketers in shaping up their careers.)

After discussion, it was decided that though the contribution of parents in shaping up the future of their kids is certainly priceless, the proposal is beyond our strength and scope at present.

Being no other business to transact, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair. The Hon. Secretary requested the members to join for MPCA Annual Awards.

Milind Kanmadikar
Hon. Secretary