



# Mumbai Cricket Association

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To,  
Hon. Shri. P.S. Narasimha,  
Amicus Curiae,  
Supreme Court (in matters relating to BCCI)

Respected Sir,

At the outset we take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to you and your office for the valuable time that you gave us for the meeting on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019 to discuss various issues relating to the Constitution of Mumbai Cricket Association. We take reference to the meeting, our emails dated 04/04/2019 and 10/04/2019 addressed to your office and wish to record as follows:

## Preamble & Brief History

1. The Mumbai Cricket Association was established in 1930 and is a permanent member of the BCCI.
  2. The Association is registered under Society Registration Act bearing registration no. BOM/300/74GBBSD dated 21<sup>st</sup> October 1974 and Bombay Public Trust Act 1950 bearing registration no. F 3451 (MUM) dated 30/11/1974.
  3. The Association has been operating within its jurisdiction and has never faltered or has been subject to any adverse comment/advise by the body referred in point no. (1) and/or (2) above.
  4.
    - a. Since inception the membership of the Association comprises of only Institutions. WE DO NOT HAVE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS.
    - b. The membership of the Association is always and not more than 350 as per the Bye-Laws of the Association, in view of limits on stadium capacity/accommodation and various contractual obligations towards the members of the Association, local and state authorities.
    - c. The Current Membership of our Association is as follows:
      - i. Ordinary Members (Voting Members)

- Maidan Clubs:	211
- Office Clubs:	077
- Colleges & Schools:	037
	<b>325</b>
      - ii. Associate Members (Non-Voting Members)

- Maidan Clubs:	019
- Office Clubs:	004
- Colleges & Schools:	000
	<b>023</b>
- TOTAL      348**



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## Current Status

- a. Upon the decision of the Hon. Supreme Court in respect of Lodha recommendation, we the Association had a series of emails exchanged with the then Amicus Curiae Shri. Gopal Sankarnarayanan, members of COA and formulated a new constitution for adoption by a body of our members.
- b. The said body of Member was by way of a Special General Body Meeting to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and election to the Apex Body in June 2018.
- c. The High Court of Mumbai appointed a two member Committee of Administrators (COA) of Justice H.L. Gokhale and Justice V.M. Kanade to oversee the workings of the Association 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019.
- d. The COA in their wisdom put both the SGM and Election on hold.
- e. The COA called for a meeting of the members of the Association for hearing them on 25/04/2018, a total of 140 members attended and a number of suggestions, clarifications, thoughts, our grievances, areas of operation and differences to the working of BCCI, were given by the members. This was recorded by the High Court appointed Administrators.
- f. The Hon. Supreme Court passed the final order on the Lodha committee recommendations on 09/08/2018 in respect of the petitions filed in the matter.
- g. Our members spoketo and held meetings with the COA in respect of our grievances and differences in the areas of operation in the working of BCCI, which they in their wisdom refused to do. The Association cooperated with the COA in all respects.
- h. Our former President, Shri, Sharad Pawar as Member of Association filed a petition in respect of the problems that would be faced by the Association and its members in accepting a mirror image of the BCCI Constitution on behalf of our members. Mr. Ravi Savant, on behalf of members also sent e-mails to High Court appointed administrators, Mr. Gopal Sankarnarayanan and BCCI COA, raising similar concerns, from time to time, which were not replied.
- i. The COA then in their own wisdom drafted a constitution which was a mirror image of the BCCI Constitution, ignoring the genuine concerns of the members and without the consent of the members of the Association unilaterally got the same registered with the office of the Charity Commissioner in Mumbai on 12/09/2018. This Constitution was registered WITHOUT calling for a meeting of the members, which is bad in practice and law.
- j. The COA then relinquished their charge on 14/09/2018, causing a vacuum in the administrative and cricketing working of the Association, which was overcome by an order of the High Court of Bombay acting on an instruction from the Hon. Supreme Court, which formed an Ad-Hoc Committee of 5 members to run the affairs of the Association. This is still in force.
- k. Members of our Association have also approached the office of the Charity Commissioner, Mumbai and recorded their objections to the Constitution filed by the COA on 12/09/2018, emphasizing the fact that the Constitution as drafted by the COA was unacceptable to the members on several counts.





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As discussed with your good selves, we record for your perusal, the relevant clauses of the COA registered Constitution which needs review and modifications to enable the Association to carry out its activities smoothly. We look forward to your positive response to our requests.

Thanking you once again for your valuable time.

Yours faithfully,

C.S. Naik

Chief Executive Officer

Prof. Dr. Unmesh Khanvilkar

Authorized Signatory

- Encl: 1. Our recommendation for changes to the constitution as adopted by the COA in tabulated form  
2. List of International Cricketers from Mumbai