



CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF UTTARAKHAND

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE APEX COUNCIL OF CRICKET ASSOCIATION OF UTTARAKHAND HELD ON FRIDAY, 17TH JANUARY, 2025 AT CAU HEAD OFFICE, DEHRADUN.

ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS

Name	Designation	Present/Absent
Dr. Girish Goyal	Hon. President	Present
Mr. Mahim Verma	Hon. Secretary	Present
Mr. Suresh Singh Soniyal	Hon. Jt. Secretary	Present – (VC)
Mr. Manas Mengwal	Hon. Treasurer	Present
Mr. Santosh Gairola	Counsellor	Present
Mr. Shantanu Sugwekar	ICA Nominee (Male)	Present
Mr. Mukesh Kumar	CAG Nominee	Present
Mr. Mohit Dobhal	CEO	Present
Mr. O.P.S. Yadav	G.M. (Finance)	Present

Hon. President welcomed all the members of the Apex Council and confirmed from Hon. Secretary that the required quorum was completed called the meeting in order and requested the Hon. Secretary to commence the meeting as per agenda.

Hon. Secretary welcomed all the members of the Apex Council and started the meeting.

Agenda No. 1: To confirm the minutes of previous Apex Council Meeting dated 08.12.2024.

The Hon. Secretary informed the house that draft minutes of previous Apex Council Meeting had been circulated to all the members and requested to confirm the minutes.

“RESOLVED THAT, the Apex Council unanimously resolved to confirm the Minutes of the previous Apex Council Meeting dated 08.12.2024 as circulated.



Agenda No. 2: To discuss about AGM.

The Hon. Secretary informed the house that we're planning to arrange Annual General Meeting of CAU in Feb. 2025 and requested to Hon. Treasurer and G.M. Finance to present balance sheet and budget before the Apex Council Members and requested to all the members to go through all the documents as presented.

After going through the balance sheet of 2023-24 CAG Nominee Mr. Mukesh Kumar raised a question that in Auditor report, Association's current liabilities exceeded its current assets. Hon. Secretary informed the house that the grants released by the BCCI is less than the current expenses. Now, we're trying to convince BCCI to increase the yearly grant, so that our current expenses and liabilities are meet out. CAG Nominee accepted these facts and suggested to request to BCCI for the same at the earliest.

The Treasurer presented his report to the Apex Council, highlighting that the Books of Accounts reflecting in the current balance sheet shows a True and Fair view as per Audit Report submitted by Statutory Auditor. He also explains that the expenditure exceeds the income of the association. The Association organized franchisee-based Uttarakhand Premier League (UPL). The franchise fees received directly to Association's Bank Account was transferred to the Agency's Bank Account as per the agreement for the smooth functioning of the UPL event.

The General Manager Finance informed the house that the association's administrative expenses have been reduced to 12% of the proposed budget from 16% of the previous year. Additionally, it was also informed to the house the pending GST demand of Rs. 77.54 lakh for the Fin. Year 2019-20 was reduced to Rs. 4.53 lakh by the continuous efforts of the Hon. Secretary meeting with GST authorities.

"RESOLVED THAT, the Apex Council, having reviewed and satisfied all the documents presented, unanimously resolves to authorize the Hon. Secretary to conduct the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the earliest convenience."

Agenda No. 3: Any other matter, with the permission of the chair.

1. The Hon. Secretary informed the house that Ms. Ritika Deshpande, the ICA nominee (Female), has resigned from her position due to personal family reasons. The ICA has accepted her resignation.

"RESOLVED THAT, the Apex Council unanimously accepts the resignation of Ms. Ritika Deshpande."

2. The Hon. Secretary further informed the house that three resolutions were circulated and passed by the majority.

"RESOLVED THAT, the Apex Council unanimously directs the CEO to take all the resolutions on record."

3. The Hon. Secretary informed the house of the vacant seat for a CAC member and suggested the appointment of Mr. Gyanendra Pandey, who has completed all the required formalities and previously worked with the Cricket Association of Uttarakhand as an ICA nominee.



"RESOLVED THAT, *the Apex Council unanimously agrees to the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary and directs the CEO to contact Mr. Pandey and complete the further formalities for his appointment."*

04. An application for continuation of membership has been received from Mr. Sunil Kumar Joshi, who was not available for some time due to his ill health and was also unable to pay his membership fees which is due. For continuation of his membership if Mr. Sunil Kumar Joshi pay his pending arrears and then his membership may be continued a per provisions of the constitution.

"RESOLVED THAT, *the Apex Council unanimously resolves to renew the membership of Mr. Sunil Kumar Joshi and directs the CEO to complete the further formalities for his membership renewal."*

5. The Secretary informed the Apex Council that the election of the Governing Council body is to be held in the near future. For this purpose, the appointment of the Electoral Officer has to be made, as per the Circular.

"RESOLVED THAT, *the Apex Council unanimously approves the appointment of the Electoral Officer and directs the CEO to contact the Electoral Officer for the Governing Council Election during the upcoming AGM and complete all the necessary formalities for the same."*

6. The Hon. Secretary informed the house that this cricketing season has not been favorable for the Association. The trainer has reported concerns regarding the players' fitness, noting that their fitness levels were not up to standard during the Domestic Season, which has impacted their performance and contributed to their inability to actively perform. In this regard, ICA Nominee Mr. Shantanu Sugwekar expressed concern over the current season's performance in comparison to previous years and highlighted the serious issue of fitness. He suggested organizing an off-season fitness camp for all age groups. The Hon. Secretary advised that specific parameters should be established for players' fitness.

"RESOLVED THAT, *the Apex Council unanimously approves the suggestions of the Hon. Secretary and directs the Operations Department to contact the trainer and set parameters for players' fitness."*

7. The Hon. Secretary informed the house that, due to the suspension of Vice President Mr. Dhiraj Bhandari, the seat of Vice President is currently vacant. He requested the Hon. President to consider assigning the charge of Vice President to any member of the Apex Council of the Association.

"RESOLVED THAT, *the Apex Council unanimously approves the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary and nominates Mr. S.K. Gairola, Counsellor, to hold the additional charge of Vice President."*

8. That, the President has raised a complained drawing reference to a letter dated 5.9.2024 signed by Shri Sanjay Gusain, Shri Tajendra Rawat, Shri B.M. Goyal, Shri Anshuman Dogra, Dr. B.C. Ramola, Shri Sanjay Rawat, Shri Avnish Verma Ordinary members of CAU and Shri Ninu Sehgal representative of District Cricket Association Dehradun. That this letter had come

to knowledge when it was submitted on an affidavit in an ongoing matter before the Hon'ble Ombudsman of CAU by Shri Dhiraj Bhandari.

The contents of which reflects the indiscipline and misconduct on part of these 8 members against Cricket Association of Uttarakhand as the accounts in question has already undergone a proper audit by the association's appointed statutory auditor, as mandated by the association's rules and regulations and also approved by the general body of the association in which these members were themselves present. Therefore, demanding an additional independent audit without any substantive evidence of financial irregularities disregards these procedures and disrupts the governance framework thereby indiscipline and misconduct on part of the signatories of the referred letter.

The unwarranted demand for an independent audit has created unnecessary tension and suspicion within the association. This behaviour undermines trust and confidence amongst the members and the office bearers and shows a lack of respect for the decisions made collectively by the general body of appointment of auditors and approval of annual accounts of the association.

The behaviour of these members reflects indiscipline and misconduct, as it challenges the integrity and authority of the association's management without just cause. Such actions disrupt the smooth functioning of the association and set a negative precedent for other members.

Also, approaching and instigating an office bearer (i.e. Vice President) to conduct separate independent audit which is beyond the roles and responsibilities entrusted with that office bearer, knowing fulling that the ask for such acts from the office bearers are beyond his scope and not as per the provisions of the constitution of CAU, attracts gross indiscipline and misconduct on part of all the signatories (i.e. all 8 individuals) and therefore appropriate action should be taken against them as per the relevant provisions of the constitution of CAU.

Therefore, the following instances of misconduct are attracted by the above mentioned acts by all 8 signatories:

1. Non - compliance with any of the provisions of the Constitution of the CAU: As the acts of seeking a separate independent audit from Vice president is complete disregard to the provisions of the constitution of CAU.
2. Act or action which is detrimental to the interest of the CAU and is likely to endanger the harmony and affects the reputation or image of the CAU and bring disrepute to the CAU and is likely to be detrimental to and bring disrepute to the game of cricket: As the acts of writing such letters to the Vice President having no authority and instigating him to do acts that is beyond the scope of his roles and creates a mistrust among the office bearers.
3. Making an unsubstantiated defamatory statement(s) and levelling an unsubstantiated allegation(s) against CAU, its Members, Apex Council Member(s) and Office bearer(s): The acts of circulation of letters and signing to the contents of the letter that make unsubstantiated defamatory statements and levels unsubstantiated allegation against the office bearers.
4. 4. Disruption of, or improper interference with the administrative, sporting or other activities of the CAU, whether on its premises or elsewhere. : By writing such letter all the 8 signatories have tried to disrupt and interfered with the administrative functioning of them association by instigating an office bearer to act beyond his scope and also against the general body decisions.

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5. Breach of Trust and Confidence : the acts and actions purported by the letter signed by these individuals pertains to breach of trust and confidence on fellow office bearers, members of Apex Council and the general body as the annual accounts have been approved by the general body and to question that is having breach of trust in the general body, also suggesting an independent auditor to re audit the accounts which are audited by the statutory auditor appointed by the general body is again questioning the wisdom and intent of the general body.

"RESOLVED THAT, *The apex council unanimously resolved to take on record the complaint raised by the President and consider it under Provision 41(1)(b) of the constitution of the association and authorised the Treasurer Shri Manas Mengwal to issue a Show Cause Notice calling for explanation to be answerable within 7 days to Shri Sanjay Gusain, Shri Tajendra Rawat, Shri B.M. Goyal, Shri Anshuman Dogra, Dr. B.C. Ramola, Shri Sanjay Rawat, Shri Avnish Verma Ordinary members of CAU and Shri Ninu Sehgal representative of District Cricket Association Dehradun and thereafter call for Apex Council meeting to take further decision in the above mentioned complaints."*

There being no other item on agenda to discussed, the meeting concluded with a vote to thanks to the chair.

