Record notes of the meeting of the Apex Council of Tripura Cricket Association held on 7th May, 2025 (Wednesday) at 12:00 noon at the chamber of the Hon. President, TCA.

Shri Tapan Lodh, Hon. President of Tripura Cricket Association presided over the meeting.

Name of the members present in the meeting as follows: -

- 1) Shri Upananda Debbarma, Hon. Vice-President, TCA
- 2) Shri Subrata Dey, Hon. Secretary, TCA.
- 3) Shri Basudeb Chakraborty, Hon. Treasurer, TCA.
- 4) Shri Saumitra Gope, Councilor, TCA.

The said meeting was called to order after ascertaining that the requisite quorum turned-up.

With permission of all the members present, the notice convening the meeting having already circulated was taken on record.

The Chairman of the meeting congratulated all the members present and addressed the house.

At the outset, the Chairman of the meeting advised to re-issue a letter to the Secretary of ICA to nominate the representatives of ICA (Men & Women) to the Apex Council of TCA.

# <u>Agenda – 1</u>

Confirmation of the minutes of last Apex Council meeting held on 19/03/2025.

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As per the first item (I) of the Agenda, the Chairman proposed before the house for confirmation of the minutes of the last Apex Council meeting held on 19/03/2025.

The said minutes was confirmed and approved unanimously by the present members.

# <u> Agenda – 2</u>

Decision on advance tentative requisition of funds worth INR 4,90,70,000/- for acquisition of land measures 4.695 acres (4.695 + 0.400 acres) for development of International Cricket Stadium at Narsingarh under West Tripura District under letter of Land Acquisition Collector, ref. DM/W/LA/SDR/15/2024/1357-58 dated, 29-04-2025

In pursuance to the proposal submitted by Tripura Cricket Association for acquisition of land for Construction of International Cricket Stadium at Narsingarh, Agartala on 30/04/2021, L.A. Collector, West Tripura District, has taken steps for acquisition of the land as per law. At the present stage LA collector has placed requisition for advance placement of fund tentatively required for acquisition cost for an amount of Rs. 4,90,70,000.00 (Rupees Four Crores Ninety Lakhs Seventy Thousand) only.

It is usual in the part of LA Collector for all cases of acquisition. LA Collector takes subsequent statutory steps of acquisition after receiving the advance payment.

Therefore, it is necessary, unavoidable for immediate payment of an amount of Rs. 4,90,70,000.00 (Rupees Four Crores Ninety Lakhs Seventy Thousand) only for placement with the LA collector. As per norms LA collector will give necessary adjustment after payment of awards against acquisition.

Therefore, it was unanimously resolved to pay Rs. 4,90,70,000.00 (Rupees Four Crores Ninety Lakhs Seventy Thousand) only to the L.A. Collector, West Tripura District against his requisition.

## <u> Agenda – 3</u>

# New appointment of Office-cum-Accounts Manager at Jirania Cricket **Association on contract basis**

Due to illness & health condition, Mr. Sentu Ghosh, Office-cum-Accounts Manager, posted in Jirania Cricket Association has resigned and left the job of TCA by intimating to the President of Jirania Cricket Association through letter number nil dated 18/02/2025. The said resignation letter was accepted by the President of Jirania Cricket Association on 22/02/2025 and forward the same to TCA official mail id on the same day.

The service of Mr. Sentu Ghosh was on contract basis w.e.f 01-09-2024 to 31-08-2025 with provision of termination from either side.

Therefore, it was resolved to release Mr. Sentu Ghosh from the service of TCA as the Office-cum-Accounts Manager, posted in Jirania Cricket Association, effective from 22/02/2025.

As a result, a vacancy of Office-cum Accounts Manager in Jirania Cricket Association was created. The President of Jirania Cricket Association has proposed to engage Mr. Tapan Debnath, S/o. Mr. Subal Debnath as the Office Cum Accounts Manager of Jirania Cricket Association on contract basis at payment rate as per approval of TCA.

Therefore, it was resolved to approve the engagement of Office-cum-Accounts Manager, for Jirania Cricket Association Shri Tapan Debnath, S/o. Shri Subal Chandra Debnath, Vill - Briddhanagar, P.O + P.S - Ranirbazar, West Tripura, Pin - 799035, D.O.B -15/02/1984 from 01-04-2025 to 31-03-2026 with monthly remuneration of INR 7,000/-(Rupees Seven Thousand).

#### <u>Agenda – 4</u>

# New appointment of Junior Engineer (Civil) - 02 posts on contract basis

For the organizational requirement and smooth running of the day-to-day affairs of TCA, few vacant important posts in Engineering sections i.e. Junior Engineer need to be filledup immediately by recruiting suitable candidates on contractual basis by floating Expression of Interest and/or notice of employment in leading newspapers and TCA website.

Pursuant to the provision in the Memorandum of Association & Rules & Regulations of TCA (amended 2023) clause number 15 (4) (h) (j), the Apex council is authorized to frame the eligibility criteria fixation of repulperation approximately ap the eligibility criteria, fixation of remuneration, experience etc.

Hence, the following was resolved: -

01 (one) Junior Engineer (Civil) would be engaged under TCA on contract basis with monthly remuneration of INR 30,000/- per month.

Maximum age limit of service in TCA

65 years

Minimum qualification

-Degree/Diploma in Engineering

Minimum experience

- Minimum 10 years of regular

service in the post of Junior Engineer under any government or PSU organization or reputed construction firm having 100 crores annual turnover.

Preference

Experience in preparing estimate, recording measurement in MB, supervision of building & other construction works, preparation of deviation statement and extra item statement and preparation of draft NIT/NIQ for works will be given preference.

• 01 (one) Junior Engineer (Mechanical) would be engaged under TCA on 03 (three) months contract basis.

Monthly remuneration

- INR 30,000/-

Maximum age limit of service in TCA

- 65 years

Minimum qualification

- Degree/Diploma in Engineering

Minimum experience

- Minimum 10 years of regular service

in the post of Junior Engineer under any government or PSU organization or reputed construction firm having 100 crores annual turnover.

# Agenda – 5

# To procure 01 DG generator for MBB club house and hostel (125 kb)

Proposal was appreciated and it was unanimously resolved that the Engineering section will submit one report regarding actual required capacity of DG with technical specification. Office bearers committee will verify the requirements.

# Agenda – 6

Vidyanagar ground – Kailashahar :-

- Levelling of ground.
- Grass sowing
- Multi-storied club house (like DMR existing building)

It was suggested by the Engineering section that,

- Levelling the ground by top dressing with earth and sand could be done by engineering section departmentally. In some portions grassing is required. After top dressing grassing will be done by the engineering section.
- After completion of construction of ground and pitches initially matches can be conducted by temporary arrangements. Multi storied club house may be taken up in 2<sup>nd</sup> phase.

The suggestions were resolved for action.

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#### Agenda – 7

One Concrete pitch with Box-net:-

Kumarghat (under Kailashahar Cricket Association)

Fotikroy (under Kailashahar Cricket Association)

Jampuijala (under Bishalgarh Cricket Association)

Bishramganj (under Bishalgarh Cricket Association)

Killa (under Udaipur Cricket Association)

Kamalghat (under Mohanpur Cricket Association)

Uttar Takma (under Shantirbazar Cricket Association)

Usha Bazar, Sukhomoy school (Sadar)

Banikya Chowmuhani (under Jirania Cricket Association)

Chawmanu (under LTV Cricket Association)

With a view to expand cricket playing with regular practice all over the state, it was considered extending minimum facilities.

Resolved a policy decision that appropriate approved institution like coaching centres, Sub – divisional cricket Associations, or club members or any school throughout the State may like to approach to TCA for such facility.

For the interest of development of cricket, the suggestion as said was accepted and resolved for action after obtaining location with administrative approval.

#### Agenda – 8

Concrete pitch with Box-net and 02 numbers of Kit bags for each school under the following category:-

- i) Semi-finalist teams of Sadar Inter School Mens' cricket tournament during the cricket season 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.
- ii) Teams of Final match of Sadar Inter School Womens' cricket tournament during the cricket season 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

To encourage Inter School Cricket Tournament 2024-2025, it was resolved to provide the said facilities .

#### Agenda – 9

#### Procurement of ground equipment's for TIT ground, Narsingarh

TCA Engineering section raised proposal for procurement of necessary equipment as listed below:-

- 1. Mow master 22" pitch mower with dethatcher kit: 2 nos
- 2. TORO make ride on green mower GR- 3250D with dethatcher kit: 1 no
- 3. Toro make ride on green mower reelmaster 3575D: 1 no
- 4. TORO make vertical action aerator Procore 648s: 1 no

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- 5. GRADEN make walk behind verticutter: 1 no
- 6. TORO make spray machine Multipro 1750: 1 no
- 7. Mete-R-Matic top F15B dresser, self propelled: 1 no
- 8. WHALE make ride on super sopper: 2 nos
- 9. Ha-ko make 1.5 ton hydrostatic tandem roller, wheel dia 600 mm, width 1000 mm: 2 nos
- 10. JCB/ L&T make 4 ton roller: 1 no
- 11. 250 kg manual roller: 1 no
- 12.500 kg manual roller: 2 nos
- 13. 750 kg manual roller, dia 1000 mm and width 900 mm, make Seven hills, Chennai: 2 nos
- 14. 2000 kg manual roller, dia 1150 mm and width 900 mm, make Seven hills, Chennai: 1 no

BCCI Procures those equipments, it supplies to the Member units if given requisition. BCCI supplied through its agencies selected from its end. It ensures quality and simplifies the procurement process for the Member unit and ensured early supply.

Therefore, it was resolved that TCA will approach to BCCI for supplying the equipments.

## Agenda - 10

Closure of Mutual Fund worth INR 7.7 crores (approx.) lying with State Bank of India, Agartala branch and re-investment in different banks.

TCA had invested Rs. 5.00 crores in the "SBI Mutual Fund" on 9th June 2020. The Mutual Fund has completed approximately 5 years of investment.

As Mutual Funds are subject to market volatility, there is no guaranteed return, and the value fluctuates with the market conditions, it is being considered whether it is to continue with this investment or to move the funds into a more stable, guaranteed option.

The market value of the investment has increased from Rs. 5.00 crores to Rs. 7.70 crores (approx.) as reported by CM -SBI on 19.04.2025 representing a gain of Rs. 2.70 crores (approx.)

Since Mutual Funds are volatile and there is no guarantee on future performance, there is an inherent risk of losing the capital or not achieving expected returns in the future. Bank deposits, on the other hand, provide a guaranteed return, offering greater security for the funds invested.

Considering the current market volatility and the completion of 5 years of holding the Mutual Fund, it may be advisable to move the invested amount to safer options, such as bank deposits, to secure the existing gains and avoid potential market risks.

After a meticulous perusal, it was resolved to close the said Mutual Fund and to transfer the amount with Nationalized bank deposits. Deployment of deposits in Nationalized banks like SBI, PNB, UCO, Canara, BOI and BOB will be considered on the basis of the interested banks and their offered most beneficial rate of interest.

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## <u> Agenda – 11</u>

Investment of the current receipts of fund of BCCI worth INR 18 crores (approx.) and re-investment of matured fixed deposit around INR 2 crores in different banks.

It was resolved for deployment of deposits in Nationalized banks like SBI, PNB, UCO, Canara, BOI and BOB will be considered on the basis of the interested banks and their offered better beneficial rate.

# <u> Agenda – 12</u>

Interpretation of clause number 6 (5) (b) of MOA of TCA regarding age criteria for being an office bearer and member of Apex Council.

MOA of TCA in its clause number 6 (5) (b) has laid disqualification criteria for being Office Bearer and Apex council member which read as "A person shall be disqualified from being a Councilor if he or she: has attained the age of 70 years;"

The age of incumbent President would exceed 70 (seventy) years on 28-07-2025.

In this context, a discussion is rolling among members whether term of the incumbent President of TCA will cease on 28-07-2025 or will cease on 14-02-2027 according to the term of 03 years since elected i.e. on 15-02-2024.

This is a matter of the interpretation of the existing MOA of TCA in its clause number 6 (5) (b). Therefore, it is expedient to take a view of Ombudsman and decided by the General body after due processing through the Apex Council.

After a detailed discussion, it was resolved to approach to any retired Judge of High Court of Tripura to engage as Ombudsman like Shri Swapan Das, Shri Arindam Lodh or others.

# <u> Agenda – 13</u>

Consideration of the recommendation of the expert committee about policy for medical assistance to the ex-cricketers & current cricketers.

A 03 mens' committee was constituted with Shri Upananda Debbarma, Hon. Vice-President of TCA as Chairman, Shri Manish Ghosh, as General Body member of TCA as member and Dr. Gautam Majumder, retired Associate Professor, AGMC as member.

The said committee has placed a proposal. After a detailed examination, the following guidelines have been unanimously approved by the members present in the meeting,

Medical assistance under the scheme would be admissible to the cricketers (running/former), support staff and employees under TCA as per the following categories:

# a) National Tournament of BCCI (on board team) -

- 100% medical assistance including follow-up upto 2 (two) years for injury/illness caused during tournament.
- To be reimbursed by TCA on production of bills as per the guidelines of Central Govt. Health scheme (CGHS).

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- b) Practice stage/preparatory camp/practice matches/selected players for National Tournament of BCCI -
  - 100% medical assistance including follow-up upto 2 (two) years for injury/illness caused during playing/practice under approved program.
  - To be reimbursed by TCA on production of bills after due consideration of TCA, as per the guidelines of Central Govt. Health scheme (CGHS).
- c) Support staff sustaining injury and/or becoming ill temporarily at the playtime of the match of a national tournament/ during playtime of the match of tournament conducted by TCA/ during coaching time of camps organized by TCA for National Tournament of BCCI -
  - To be reimbursed by TCA on production of bills on actual basis after due consideration of TCA Management as per the guidelines of Central Govt. Health scheme (CGHS).
- d) Former/retired cricketers of Tripura who have played for state team in National Tournament of BCCI are eligible for reimbursement of medical expenses during their lifetime:-
  - 1st class cricket (Ranji) 01-04 matches grant towards treatment of severe illness upto INR 2 (two) Lac only during their lifetime.
  - 1st class cricket (Ranji) 05-09 matches grant towards treatment of severe illness upto INR 4 (four) Lac only during their lifetime.
  - Any senior men's tournament and/or age-group tournaments atleast 15 matches - grant towards treatment of severe illness upto INR 2 (two) Lac only during their lifetime.
- e) Emergency treatment of cricketers of running approved matches in IGM/AGMC/TMC/ILS during Tournaments conducted by TCA -
  - actual cost of preliminary treatment would be borne by TCA as per the guidelines of Central Govt. Health scheme (CGHS).
- f) Umpire, Scorer and Match Referee/Match official/Observer cum spotter sustaining injury and/or becoming ill temporarily at the playtime of the match of tournament conducted by TCA/ during coaching time of camps organized by TCA for National Tournament of BCCI -
  - To be reimbursed by TCA on production of bills on actual basis after due consideration of TCA Management as per the guidelines of Central Govt. Health scheme (CGHS).

In addition, necessary TA-DA of the patient party (single person) will be allowed as per medical rules of state government.

100% treatment for relevant cases will be terminated as per recommendation of expert Grade I /II Medical practioner retd. Govt. employee, Tripura Health Service referred by TCA for particular cases. T. Xoldh

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The assistance to all the aforesaid cases will be provided if not covered by other scheme like health insurance, Ayushman etc. and will be reimbursed on receipt of declaration in e-stamp with notary accordingly.

# <u> Agenda – 14</u>

# Formation of a committee for the selection of Guest cricketer and support staff for the cricket season 2025-2026

For BCCI Tournaments, all state cricket associations including TCA are allowed to hire guest cricketers (the players who belongs to other state/from areas outside their jurisdiction) in Senior Men's squads (maximum 03 players) and Senior Women's squads (maximum 03 players) in every cricket season.

Moreover, support staff like Head Coach, Physiotherapist, Strength & Conditioning Coach, Nutritionist and Side-arm thrower are also to be engaged with different state teams under TCA.

Thus, a committee of Tripura Cricket Association is hereby constituted comprising of the following members:-

1.	Sri Upananda De	bbarma : Hon. Vice-President, TCA	-	Chairman
2.	Sri Jayanta Dey	: Hon. Joint Secretary, TCA	-	Convenor
3.	Sri Sanjoy Bose	: General Body Member, TCA	-	Member
4	Sri Sani Saha	General Body Member, TCA	-	Member

The said committee will remain accountable to the Apex Council of TCA.

# <u> Agenda – 15</u>

# Introduce a new tournament "Under 14 Girls' Cricket Tournament "of TCA on & from the cricket season 2025-2026

As there is no existing tournament below Under-15 level, it is difficult to find the pool of players required to represent Tripura for Girls' Under-15 BCCI Tournament. Thus, the introduction of the Girls' U-14 tournament will not only create a pool of players but also create a relaxation of one year so that they have the eligibility to represent Tripura in Girls' Under-15 BCCI Tournament during the next season based on the performance in the preceding season in the newly framed TCA tournament.

After a detailed discussion, it was resolved that whereas, presently there are no good number of players throughout the state, the on roll womens' coach in association with new appointment of other womens' coaches will be posted at all the districts of TCA and they will perform their duties to hunt the players in preliminary stage and nurture & prepare them to participate in tournaments.

The matter of introducing Under 14 Girls' Cricket Tournament will be decided latter on.

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## <u> Agenda – 16</u>

# Execution of decision of AGM held on 30-10-2024 by framing the policy of new appointment of "Computer Operator" in all affiliated clubs under TCA

It was resolved that before appointing any staff for all the affiliated clubs under TCA, it is necessary to compare the nature of works between a staff of clubs and incumbent Office-cum-Accounts Manager posted in different sub-divisional cricket associations. Such type of comparison will establish the necessity for engaging one Computer Operator in all affiliated clubs under TCA. Other relevant points have also to be examined.

## Agenda - 17

# Defining of technical authority for approval of addition, alteration & extra item of works related to the construction of International Cricket Stadium at TIT, Narsingarh

It was resolved to constitute a committee under the chairmanship of Senior Engineer of rank of Chief Engineer in association with other 04 members i.e. Superintendent Engineers/Executive Engineers of Civil, Mechanical, Electrical and 01 Senior Architect of state government retired/in service.

## Agenda - 18

#### Miscellaneous: -

a) One additional vehicle on rent for Office Bearers of TCA (pull system)

The matter was discussed elaborately and kept in abeyance for further examination.

# b) Formation of Advisory Committees for detailment of Scorer and Video Analyst respectively

It was discussed that presently no advisory committee would be constituted for detailment of Scorers and Video-analyst in domestic tournaments run by TCA.

It was resolved that Shri Chiranjib Chowdhury, Executive Digital & Web-media (Head of the Tournament & Technical section) will perform this duty in consultation with the standing committee and office bearers of TCA.

# c) Decision for non-return of cricket balls (Kookaburra) by Shri Indrajit Ghosh, Coach (on roll, TCA).

The matter was elaborately discussed in the meeting and resolved that The Hon. Secretary of TCA will call Mr. Indrajit Ghosh in person for discussion in presence of the Team Managers of Vijay Hazare One day Trophy of BCCI 2024-2025 and Syed Mustaq Ali T20 Trophy of BCCI 2024-2025 i.e. Mr. Litan Saha and Mr. Manish Ghosh respectively.

After discussion a concrete decision for non-return of cricket balls (Kookaburra) by Shri Indrajit Ghosh, Coach (on roll, TCA) will be accorded.

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d) Taking another attempt of inviting applications for induction of new Life Members under TCA.

The number of applications received is less than 100. After scrutiny valid numbers is likely to be further reduced.

In one or two cases difficulty has been reported for getting identification from nearest club. Those cases have ben dealt by the Secretary himself and got identified from nearby club.

Under the circumstances, we are in a position not to be able to elect 100 numbers immediately. We have two options 1) to go for another call or otherwise 2) to place the present applicants for considering selection by the General body through vote against every applicant.

Thereafter, make  $2^{nd}$  call for filling-up the remaining numbers left unfilled after the selection of the General Body on the received valid applicants.

In view of the considerable time requirement to wind-up, a process against a call inviting applications, it has been considered wise to go for the 2<sup>nd</sup> option.

Therefore, it has been resolved unanimously to call a Special General Meeting for induction of new Life Members out of the received valid application.

After the present selection, a fresh next call would be made for inducting remaining numbers falling short of 100 numbers.

e) One open quotation for survey of availability of suitable land for construction of Cricket Academy in the periphery of Agartala was invited vide NIQ no - 05/TCA/AGT/2024-25 dated 08/02/2025. In response, a total of 18 no's application have been received by this office.

A committee comprising of the following members is resolved to be constituted to prepare a suitability list irrespective of rate in order of joint perception through field visit of all the sites along with comments against every land:-

- 1) Shri Tapan Lodh, Hon. President
- 2) Shri Upananda Debbarma, Hon. Vice-President
- 3) Shri Subrata Dey, Hon. Secretary CONVENOR
- 4) Shri Jayanta Dey, Hon. Joint Secretary
- 5) Shri Basudeb Chakraborty, Hon. Treasurer
- 6) Shri Saumitra Gope, Councilor
- 7) Shri Sani Saha, General body Member & invitee member, Apex Council
- 8) Shri Manish Ghosh, General body Member & Convenor, Advisory Tournament committee
- 9) Shri Gouranga Bhowmik, General body Member & Chairman, Advisory Purchase committee

- 10) Shri Deepraj Debnath, General body Member
- 11) Shri Sanjoy Bose, General body Member
- 12) Shri Rakesh Das, General body Member
- 13) Shri Suraj Debnath, General body Member
- 14) Md. Nazmul Hossain, Convenor, Advisory Grounds Committee
- 15) Shri Rajat Kanti Sen, former 1st class cricketer
- 16) Shri Dilip Kumar Roy, Executive Engineer, TCA
- 17) Shri Arunabha Nath, Asst. Engineer, TCA

There being no other further business and/or no content to discuss.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chair to the participants.

Tapan Lodh
President
Tripura Cricket Association