

HYDERABAD CRICKET ASSOCIATION

OFFICIAL CONSOLIDATED NOTIFICATION

HCA League Competitions – Season 2026–27 (All Divisions)

The Hyderabad Cricket Association hereby issues the following Comprehensive and Official League Regulations governing the conduct, administration, and participation of all affiliated Clubs and Institutions in the A, B, C & D- Divisions Multi-Day, One Day, and T-20 competitions for the Season 2026–27.

These regulations shall apply uniformly to all Divisions unless otherwise specifically notified. All Clubs, Institutions, Players, Team Officials, and Stakeholders are hereby directed to strictly adhere to the provisions contained herein.

This notification shall supersede all prior inconsistent communications for the Season 2026–27.

MULTI-DAY LEAGUE / ONE DAY / T-20 CHAMPIONSHIP

1. A Division – Two Day League Championship

- a) **LEAGUE PHASE:** The teams participating in A DIVISION shall be divided into three (3) pools. Each team shall play Two-Day matches against all other teams within its respective pool. The top one (1) team from each pool shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs. The qualification of the teams within each pool shall be determined based on the following criteria:
 - i. Rule 1 - Points: The team securing the highest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked first in the pool and shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs.
 - ii. Rule 2 - Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has won the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iii. Rule 3 - Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the higher Net Run Rate (NRR) achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iv. Rule 4 - Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results, and Net Run Rate the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and the decision shall be final and binding.
- b) **Criteria for Determining the Top Team in Each Pool:**
- c) **CHAMPIONSHIP PHASE:** The Championship Phase shall be conducted in the Four-Day format. These three teams shall play two (2) matches against each other. Based on the results of these matches, the team securing the highest position, determined by the highest points achieved during the Promotion Phase, shall be ranked No.1 and shall qualify for direct entry into the

Championship Final Match. In the event if two or more teams have equal points then Net Run Rate would be considered.

- i. The remaining two teams shall compete in the Semi-Final.
 - ii. Team ranked 2 vs Team ranked 3.
 - iii. The winner of the Semi-Final shall compete in the Final to determine the Champion and Runner-Up of the A Division Multi-Day League Championship.
- d) **RELEGATION PHASE:** At the conclusion of the A Division League Phase, the bottom one (1) team from each of the three (3) pools shall qualify for the Relegation Round, as per the following criteria:
- e) **Criteria for Determining the Bottom Team in Each Pool:**
- i. Rule 1 – Points: The team securing the lowest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked at the bottom of the pool and shall qualify for the Relegation Round.
 - ii. Rule 2 – Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has lost the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked lower.
 - iii. Rule 3 – Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the lower Net Run Rate achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked lower.
 - iv. Rule 4 – Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results and Net Run Rate the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and such decision shall be final and binding.
- f) These three teams shall play two (2) matches against each other. Upon conclusion of these matches, the team securing the lowest number of points shall be ranked last. In the event of a tie-on points, the team with the inferior Net Run Rate recorded during the Relegation Phase shall be ranked lowest (No. 3) and shall be directly relegated to the B Division for the following season 2027-2028.
- g) The remaining two teams shall compete in the final ranking match.
- h) **Survival-Final: Team ranked 1 vs Team ranked 2**
- i) In the event that teams are equal on Net Run Rate after application of the above criteria, the final ranking for the purpose of relegation shall be determined by the spin of coin.
 - j) The Final conducted to determine the relegation outcome, shall decide the team to be relegated, and the losing team in such match shall be relegated to the B Division for the following season. 2027-2028.
 - k) Promotion and relegation of A Division Clubs/Institutions shall be based exclusively on the Multi-Day Championship standings. Performance in One Day and T-20 formats shall have no

bearing on promotion or relegation, which shall be determined only by Multi-Day Championship results.

2. B Division – Two Day League Championship

- a) **LEAGUE PHASE:** The teams participating in B DIVISION shall be divided into (10) pools. Each team shall play Two-Day matches against all other teams within its respective pool. The top one (1) team from each pool (10 teams) shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs. The qualification of the teams within the pool shall be determined based on the following criteria:
- b) **Criteria for Determining the Top Team in Each Pool:**
- i. Rule 1 - Points: The team securing the highest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked first in the pool and shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs.
 - ii. Rule 2 - Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has won the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iii. Rule 3 - Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the higher Net Run Rate achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iv. Rule 4 - Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results, and Net Run Rate, the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and the decision shall be final and binding.
- c) **CHAMPIONSHIP PHASE:** The Championship Phase shall be conducted in the Two-Day format. The 10 teams should be ranked based on the superior Net Run Rate achieved during league phase. In an event two teams are tie with NRR the final position shall be determined by spin of coin. The teams ranked 1-10 as per the above shall compete in the Knockout Stage.

Team 1 Vs Team 10

Team 2 Vs Team 9

Team 3 Vs Team 8

Team 4 Vs Team 7

Team 5 Vs Team 6

- d) Upon completion of the above Knockout matches, five (5) winning teams shall advance to the next stage. These five teams shall be ranked based on the superior Net Run Rate recorded during the championship Phase. The teams ranked 1 to 3 among the five qualified teams shall secure direct entry into the Semi-Final stage. The remaining two (2) teams, ranked 4 and 5 in accordance with the same criteria, shall compete in the Quarter-Final.

- i. Quarter-Final: Team ranked 4 vs Team ranked 5

- ii. Semi-Final 1: Team ranked 1 vs Winner of the Quarter-Final
 - iii. Semi-Final 2: Team ranked 2 vs Team ranked 3
 - iv. Finals: Winner of Semi-Final 1 vs Winner of Semi-Final 2
- e) Both the Champion and the Runner-Up shall be promoted to the A Division for the following season (2027-28).
- f) **RELEGATION PHASE:** At the conclusion of the B Division League Phase, the bottom one team from each of the ten (10) pools shall qualify for the Relegation Round, as per the following criteria:
- g) **Criteria for Determining the Bottom Team in Each Pool:**
- i. Rule 1 – Points: The team securing the lowest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked at the bottom of the pool and shall qualify for the Relegation Round.
 - ii. Rule 2 – Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has lost the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked lower.
 - iii. Rule 3 – Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the lower Net Run Rate achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked lower.
 - iv. Rule 4 – Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results, and Net Run Rate, the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and such decision shall be final and binding.
- h) These ten teams shall be ranked based on the superior Net Run Rate achieved during the Relegation Phase. The relegation Phase shall be conducted in the Two-Day format. The (10) bottom qualified teams shall be ranked from 1 to 10 based on their overall league standings, determined during the League Phase. The ten (10) qualified teams shall compete in the Knockout Stage in the following manner:

Team 1 Vs Team 10
Team 2 Vs Team 9
Team 3 Vs Team 8
Team 4 Vs Team 7
Team 5 Vs Team 6

- i) Upon completion of the above Knockout matches, five (5) losing teams shall advance to the next stage of the Relegation. These five teams shall be ranked solely on the basis of the inferior Net Run Rate recorded during the Relegation matches, and the team with the

lowest NRR shall be ranked lowest accordingly. The teams ranked 3 to 5 among the five qualified teams shall secure direct entry into the Survival Semi-Final stage.

- j) The remaining two (2) teams, ranked 1 and 2 in accordance with the same criteria, shall compete in the Survival Quarter-Final as follows:
 - i. Survival Quarter- Final: Team ranked 1 vs Team ranked 2
 - ii. Survival Semi-Final 1: Team ranked 3 vs Team ranked 4
 - iii. Survival Semi-Final 2: Team ranked 5 vs Loser of the Quarter-Final
- k) The teams losing the two Survival Semi-Finals will be relegated to C Division for the following season (2027-28).
- l) Promotion and relegation of B Division Clubs/Institutions shall be based exclusively on the Multi-Day Championship standings. Performance in One Day and T-20 formats shall have no bearing on promotion or relegation, which shall be determined only by Multi Day Championship results.

3. C Division – One Day League Championship

- a) **LEAGUE PHASE:** The teams participating in C DIVISION shall be divided into (17) pools. Each team shall play One Day matches against all other teams within its respective pool. The top one (1) team from each pool (17- teams) shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs The qualification of the teams within each pool shall be determined based on the following criteria:
 - i. Rule 1 - Points: The team securing the highest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked first in the pool and shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs.
 - ii. Rule 2 - Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has won the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iii. Rule 3 - Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the higher Net Run Rate achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iv. Rule 4 - Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results, and Net Run Rate, the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and the decision shall be final and binding.
- b) **Criteria for Determining the Top Team in Each Pool:**
 - i. Rule 1 - Points: The team securing the highest total points at the end of the League Phase shall be ranked first in the pool and shall qualify for the Championship Playoffs.
 - ii. Rule 2 - Head-to-Head Result: If two teams secure equal points, the team that has won the head-to-head match played between the concerned teams during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iii. Rule 3 - Net Run Rate: If two or more teams have the same number of points and the head-to-head result does not resolve the tie, or in cases where more than two teams are tied and head-to-head comparison remains inconclusive, the team with the higher Net Run Rate achieved during the League Phase shall be ranked higher.
 - iv. Rule 4 - Spin of Coin: If two or more teams remain tied on points, head-to-head results, and Net Run Rate, the final position shall be determined by spin of coin conducted in the presence of HCA officials, and the decision shall be final and binding.
- c) **CHAMPIONSHIP PHASE:** The Championship Phase shall be conducted in the One Day format. The 17 teams should be ranked based on the superior Net Run Rate. The team

ranked No. 1 across all groups, shall be placed in Group A and shall receive direct entry into the Fourth Round. The seventeen (17) qualified teams shall compete in the Knockout Stage and shall be divided into two groups in the following manner:

- d) Group A shall consist of total nine (9) teams. The remaining eight (8) teams shall be placed in Group B and shall compete in Knockout matches from the initial round in accordance with the prescribed tournament structure.

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- e) The winners of Group-A and Group-B teams shall compete in the Final to determine the Champion and Runner-Up of the C Division One-Day League Championship. Both the Champion and the Runner-Up shall be promoted to B Division for the following season. (2027-28)

4. TEAM COMPOSITION REQUIREMENT - A DIVISION CLUBS

- a) **PLAYING XI COMPOSITION:** All A Division Clubs shall mandatorily field a minimum of two (2) players who have been member of the Ranji Trophy squad of fifteen representing Hyderabad within the last five years.
- b) All A Division clubs shall also field a minimum of three players who have been members of the squad of fifteen representing Hyderabad in the Vijay Hazare Trophy, Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy, Under-23, Under-19, or Under-16 tournaments within the last five years.
- c) In case of non-compliance with the above team composition requirements, if one team fails to fulfil the prescribed requirement, the match should continue but the match shall be awarded to the opposing team irrespective of the result.
- d) If both teams fail to fulfil the prescribed requirement, the match shall be played and the points shall not be allotted to any team i.e Zero Points for both Teams.
- e) The above team composition requirements shall not apply to Combined Districts XI teams.

5. SQUAD COMPOSITION

- a) **Registration Deadline:** The last date for player registration, as notified by HCA shall be final and binding on all teams.
- b) **Squad Finalization:** Upon expiry of the registration deadline, the squad submitted by each team shall be deemed final and shall remain unchanged for the remainder of the season.
- c) **Squad Freeze:** No additions, replacements, or alterations to the registered squad shall be permitted after the registration deadline under any circumstances.
- d) **Squad Requirement:** Each team is required to register a squad of up to eighteen (18) players prior to the deadline. In the event that a team registers fewer than eighteen (18) players, no further registrations shall be allowed after the deadline, and the team shall continue the season with the available registered players only.

6. TRANSFER OF PLAYERS GUIDELINES

- a) **Player Transfer Policy (Upward Transfers Only)**
- b) Only registered players in B, and C Divisions shall be eligible for inter-division transfers.
- c) Registered Players from C Division shall be eligible for transfer only to B Division.
- d) Registered Players from B Division shall be eligible for transfer only to A Division.
- e) Only upward transfers shall be allowed during the season, subject to registration and eligibility verification by the Association.
- f) Teams shall be permitted to transfer a maximum two (2) players to a higher division for a maximum of two (2) matches during the season.
- g) Once a player is transferred to a higher division and participates in a match, the player shall return to his original lower division team and shall continue to remain registered with the lower division for the remainder of the season.
- h) Such temporary transfer shall not be treated as a permanent change of division, and the player shall not be eligible to permanently represent the higher division team during the same season.
- i) All such transfers shall be approved and recorded by the Association prior to participation in any match. Such request shall be made at-least one day before the match. Only after written approval the player can be included in the team composition.
- j) Transfers are allowed only if the team in the higher division has not registered 18 players. If a team in A Division has registered less than 18 players (for example, 15 players), it shall be permitted to obtain players through transfer from B Division, subject to approval by the Association.
- k) If a team in a higher division has already registered a maximum of 18 players, it shall not be eligible to transferred players from the lower division.
- l) Transfer request must be made through the club Secretary's official email.

7. DOMICILE GUIDELINES

- a) A player shall be eligible to represent a Club only if he satisfies one of the following:
 - i. Born in the State of Telangana OR Domiciled in Telangana for a continuous period of three (3) years immediately preceding the season.
- b) Documents required for Domicile Eligibility: The following documents must be submitted.

- i. Birth Certificate
 - ii. School/College Report Cards for last three academic years along with Bonafide certificate. 2023-24 2024-25 2025-26
 - iii. Aadhaar Card reflecting Telangana address along with copy of Aadhaar Update History confirming residence for last three years.
- c) Education-Based Clarification: Players not pursuing education during the relevant period must submit Aadhaar update history for the preceding three years.
- d) Children and spouse of Central Government or Defence personnel posted in Telangana shall be exempt, subject to submission of valid documentary proof.
- e) HCA reserves the right to seek additional documents or conduct independent verification whenever necessary.
- f) In all matters concerning domicile verification and eligibility, the decision of the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA) shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all concerned parties (Clubs/ Institutions /Players).

8. PLAYER REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

- a) Registration Limits: A maximum of 18 players per Club/Institution shall be permitted for registration.
- b) Players must be registered on or before the prescribed deadline notified by the HCA.
- c) Age limit of 40 years shall be applicable for A Division and B Division Clubs/Institutions.
- d) Mandatory Online Process for fresh registration. The following documents must be uploaded:
 - i. Recent passport-size photograph
 - ii. Birth Certificate
 - iii. Aadhaar Card
- e) Re-Registration: Previously registered players must complete the re-registration formalities by submitting the prescribed Annexure-I Form.
- f) No guest players allowed.
- g) Only registered players within the B, C divisions are allowed as per transfer of player guidelines covered in Point no: 6.

9. Players Born Abroad / Holding Foreign Passports

- a) Fresh registrations shall not be accepted for players who are born outside India or who hold foreign passports, except in the following circumstances:
- b) A cricketer who is born abroad and holds a foreign passport may be permitted to participate in the HCA League 2026–27 season, subject to the following conditions:
- c) The player must have represented the State of Telangana in the Playing XI within the preceding five (5) years.
- d) The player must be in the process of acquiring Indian citizenship, and shall submit valid supporting documents for verification, including but not limited to Proof of application submitted to Passport Seva Kendra/Post Office, or Proof of renunciation or relinquishment of foreign citizenship, or Proof of application for Indian citizenship, or Any other document as may be required by HCA for verification. Such players shall be permitted to participate only in HCA League matches.
- e) These players shall not be eligible for State Team Selection, State probable matches, Zonal or National tournaments, any official representation of HCA or State Team.

- f) Participation shall be strictly subject to fulfilment of all other eligibility requirements and conditions specified in the HCA League Notification 2026–27.
- g) The decision of HCA regarding eligibility and verification of documents shall be final and binding. All such cases shall be subject to verification, scrutiny, and approval by the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA).

10. NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE (NOC)

- a) As per the applicable BCCI guidelines, the requirement of an NOC is mandatory only for players representing a State Association in official BCCI tournaments.

11. CLUB SECRETARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) The Club Secretary shall be personally responsible for.
- b) Verification of age and domicile documents.
- c) Ensuring authenticity of registration documents.
- d) Ensuring compliance with format and eligibility regulations.
- e) Maintaining discipline and decorum of players and team officials.
- f) Submitting accurate documentation within prescribed timelines.
- g) Ensuring player registration only after confirming availability for the season, particularly with regard to examinations, injuries, or other personal commitments, and obtaining consent from each player.
- h) Any negligence, suppression of facts, or submission of false documents may attract disciplinary proceedings against the Player, Club and its officials.
- i) All players must participate in the tournament under their true and registered identity as submitted to HCA. If, at any stage during a match, a player is found to be participating under a false identity, such player shall be immediately removed from the match and shall be suspended for the remainder of the season. The team concerned shall continue the match with the remaining eligible players and shall not be permitted to replace the suspended player for that match.
- j) A player suspended on grounds of false identity shall not be eligible for replacement, and the team shall not be permitted to register or include any new player in place of the suspended player for the remainder of the season.

12. DISCREPANCY / DOCUMENT IRREGULARITY POLICY

- a) If any player is found to have submitted forged or false documents, Misrepresented age or domicile, produced fabricated educational or employment certificates the following procedure shall apply:
 - i. The concerned player shall be immediately suspended pending inquiry.
 - ii. The match should be completed with the remaining players and awarded to the opposing team irrespective of the result subject to the result of pending inquiry.
 - iii. Further action shall be taken as deemed appropriate by HCA.
 - iv. The player will be banned from participating in any HCA leagues for 2 years if found guilty.

13. ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

- a) HCA adopts a strict zero tolerance policy towards age fraud, forged documentation, False identity, Corrupt practices, match-fixing, Physical verbal abuse to officials and On-field or off-field misconduct. Violations shall invite immediate suspension and disciplinary action in accordance with applicable regulations.

14. INSTITUTION TEAMS

Mandatory Playing XI Ratios for Institutional Teams. (A / B DIVISIONS)

- a) Current Season Requirement (2026-27) For all tournaments commencing in the 2026 season (including the One-Day/ T-20/ and Two days' league) the following Playing XI composition is mandatory.
- b) Minimum Employees: 4 Players in the playing XI Must be permanent employees /contractual staff of the institution in service for at least three years of service by 31-03-2026 with valid payroll proof.
- c) Maximum Stipend Players: (7 seven) Stipend players are those who are engaged by the institution for next 1 year before the league starts.
- d) Future Mandate (2027-28 Season) Starting from the April 2027 season, the requirement will shift to prioritize institutional stability.
- e) Minimum Employees: 8 Players in the playing XI (Must be permanent employees /contractual staff in service for at least three years of service by 31-03-2027 with valid payroll proof).
- f) Maximum Stipend Players: 3 Players (in the Playing XI). Stipend players are those who are engaged by the team for 1 year before the league starts.
- g) There is an age limit of 40 years for players representing institutions. The cut-off date for date of birth is 1st September 1986.
- h) Penalties for Non-Compliance The HCA remains committed to the competitive integrity of the A and B Divisions. Therefore: Failure to meet the "4-Employee" requirement for the season 2026 and "8-Employee for the season 2027 will result in immediate and automatic relegation to the C-Division. Relegated teams will lose their standing in the higher divisions regardless of their previous season's performance or points table ranking.
- i) Compliance Documentation: Institutional teams are required to submit the following to the HCA Office. Certified by the Institution's HR/Head of Office, PF/Salary Statements to verify the employment status of the designated 4 permanent employees/ contractual staff in service for at least three years by 31-03-2026 with valid payroll proof.
- j) Stipend Agreements: For the remaining Stipend players.

15. MATCH REGULATIONS

- a) Matches abandoned due to uncontrollable circumstances shall result in equal sharing of points. Forfeiture shall result in award of full points to the opposing team.
- b) Any team forfeiting more than two matches in any format shall be removed from the competition and will not continue in the same division in the next season. Matches shall be conducted strictly as per HCA Playing Conditions.
- c) No match shall be postponed or preponed under any circumstances once the official fixtures are released, except with prior written approval of the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA), in extra ordinary circumstances.

16. NON-APPEARANCE / REFUSAL TO PLAY

- a) DISQUALIFICATION CLAUSE: If any team, or both teams, fail to appear for a duly scheduled match after confirmation of fixtures, or decline to play without valid and approved justification, such team(s) shall be liable for immediate disqualification from the competition for the rest of the season and will not continue in the same division for the next season.
- b) In the event that such non-appearance or refusal occurs during Promotion or Relegation matches, the following shall apply.
- c) A team participating in a Promotion match that fails to play shall not be considered for promotion to the higher division for the following season.
- d) A team participating in a Relegation match that fails to play shall be deemed relegated to the lower division for the following season.
- e) Further, appropriate disciplinary action shall be initiated against the concerned team(s) and/or officials as deemed fit by the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA).

17. NEUTRAL GROUND POLICY

- a) HCA will allocate and release cricket grounds for conducting league matches in order to ensure fair and neutral playing conditions for all participating teams.
- b) Teams will not be permitted to nominate, select, or use any particular ground as their home ground. All matches shall be conducted only on the grounds allotted by HCA, and the allocation will be final and binding on all teams.

18. SUBSCRIPTION COMPLIANCE

- a) Clubs/Institutions that have not paid subscription fees for the 2026–27 season shall not be permitted to participate.

19. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a) Only notifications published on the Official HCA Website shall have binding effect.
- b) HCA reserves the right to interpret, amend, or clarify these regulations.
- c) In matters not expressly covered herein, the decision of HCA shall be final and binding.

20. APPLICABILITY OF LEAGUE RULES TO ONE DAY & T-20 KNOCK OUT TOURNAMENTS

- a) The Rules and Regulations governing the League Matches shall apply mutatis mutandis to the One Day Knockout and T-20 Knockout Tournaments across all divisions.
 - i. All eligibility criteria, match conditions, disciplinary provisions, administrative procedures, and regulatory guidelines applicable to League Matches shall be deemed equally applicable to the Knockout Tournaments unless otherwise specifically notified by the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA).
 - ii. All matches in the Championship, Tournaments, and Knockout Phase shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the HCA Rules and the applicable Playing Conditions in force

for the respective season, and all participating teams shall comply with the same without exception.

- iii. The standings at the conclusion of the League Phase shall be determined strictly on the basis of points accrued by each team in accordance with HCA Rules and Playing Conditions.
- iv. The rankings so determined shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all participating teams, and no representation or objection in this regard shall be entertained thereafter.
- v. Teams promoted from a lower division to a higher division and teams relegated from a higher division to a lower division shall occupy the same position in the respective pool structure as the teams they replace.
- vi. Accordingly, the promoted team shall assume the position of the relegated team in the higher division, and the relegated team shall take the corresponding position in the lower division for the ensuing season.
- vii. In the event that any Knockout match, including but not limited to Semi-Finals or Finals, cannot be conducted due to uncontrollable circumstances such as adverse weather conditions, natural calamities, ground unavailability, or other force majeure situations, the result shall be decided by the spin of a coin in accordance with HCA Rules and applicable Playing Conditions.
- viii. The decision of HCA in all matters relating to the conduct of Knockout Tournaments shall be final and binding on all participating teams.

21. Awards and Prize Money Distribution.

- a) Winner Trophy: The Winner Trophy for A, B, and C Divisions shall be presented to the respective Club/Institution securing first position in Multi-Day, One Day, and T-20 formats, as notified by the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA).
- b) Prize Money for All Three Formats: Prize money shall be awarded separately for Multi-Day Championship, One Day Tournament, and T-20 Tournament in A, B, and C Divisions. Each format shall have independent prize money and awards as decided and notified by HCA.
- c) Distribution Among Squad: The winner's prize money for each format shall be distributed among the registered squad of the concerned Club/Institution that participated in the respective tournament.
- d) Eligibility for Prize Money: Only officially registered and eligible players who were part of the squad for the respective format shall be entitled to receive prize money. Unregistered or suspended players shall not be eligible for any prize distribution.
- e) The prize money should be directly paid into the account of registered players.
- f) Final Authority: The decision of the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA) regarding prize money, awards, and distribution shall be final and binding on all Clubs/Institutions and players.

Prize Money Distribution - A, B & C Divisions

A Division

Tournament Format	Winners (₹)	Runner-up (₹)
One Day League	5,00,000/-	2,50,000/-
T20 League	5,00,000/-	2,50,000/-
Multi-Day League	5,00,000/-	2,50,000/-

B Division

Tournament Format	Winners (₹)	Runner-up (₹)
One Day League	4,00,000/-	2,00,000/-
T20 League	4,00,000/-	2,00,000/-
Multi-Day League	4,00,000/-	2,00,000/-

C Division

Tournament Format	Winners (₹)	Runner-up (₹)
One Day League	3,00,000/-	1,50,000/-

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Approved by SMC (Justice P. Naveen Rao Retd.)

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