



CISMUN 2015

Committee- IPL

"India may be the soul of world cricket, but IPL is its commercial heart. Just as 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire' changed the ground rules for quiz shows by injecting a massive dose of money into the equation, IPL has changed the dynamics of the cricket economy."

-Vikas Swarup

Letter from the Executive Board

Dear Delegates

On behalf of the Executive Board, I welcome you to the simulation of the Indian Premier League at the CISMUN Jalandhar 2015. We will be discussing the various issues in this meeting. On the outset, we must be aware of the fact that being an unconventional committee there is no as such mandate of the council but the rules of procedure of this committee will be same as that of an UN committee. However, we urge you to research well, read and understand all the topics covered under this committee, take notes while researching that will help you characterize debate and form moderated caucuses, and you will find this to be an enjoyable learning experience. First and foremost, what one must understand is that unlike a Delegate who in a Model United Nations Conference is representing the Permanent Representative of that country to the United Nations but in this committee you will be representing the franchise or a personality as per your allotments. Thus, you will be required to NOT repeat or simply read out statements from your research, but analyze it according to the policy of your team and present the analysis to the Committee. Secondly, this Committee is stimulated for the first time but we expect that the Delegates representing will come researched and well informed of the discussion on the controversies and problems that has happened in the past, and have knowledge of the decisions which were taken. If you are well researched and versed in your team's policy, be creative with your solutions, and be proactive! Never be afraid to suggest something out of the box, because it is going to be discussed by your peers if you can lobby. Do not be afraid of being wrong, because the best experience of being a Delegate at an MUN Conference is completely giving in to become that person and feel their responsibility and dedication to representing their nations. Your Executive Board is here to guide debate, and will be taking part in substantive debate only through the updates and questions to you. We will refrain from giving our opinion on matters unless we are ruling on Points of Orders. Regarding Rules of Procedure, I would ask you to be conversant in them but not regard them as strict and unbreakable. Rules of Procedure were made to aid debate, not hamper it, so we would like to keep the Points of Orders for usage of personal pronouns to a minimum. Further, we would love for the delegates to converse amongst themselves and promptly let the Executive Board know if they wish for any rules to be amended to improve debate.

Best of preparations!

How to read the Document

Documents are, contradictory to popular belief, not supposed to contain all the information on a certain topic. A good document consists of information that a delegate can use to gain basic information on the issue at hand and the links for further research that they must use to prepare for the final conference. All the information given in this document is from an unbiased perspective. The Research can be done from any source as such, but make sure you cross-check your statements and speeches with these sources to be on a safe side. Quotations from the document cannot be used as fact in Council. For the same reason, citations have been provided for almost all the information given in the document, and these citations have mostly been taken from credible sources acceptable as proof. Delegates are strongly recommended to go through the entire articles cited and not just read the titles as it will help in your wholesome understanding and make sure that misquotations do not occur in statements.

An advised pattern of research is the following:

1. Understanding of the Committee
2. Research on the allotted team or personality, especially with respect to the present and past policies or actions taken
3. Understanding the Policy of the allotted team by studying past actions, their causes and consequences
4. Reading the document
5. Researching further upon the issues using the footnotes
6. Prepare topics for moderated caucuses and their content
7. Assemble proof/evidence for any important piece of information/allegation you are going to use in committee
8. Keep your research updated.

For any query feel free to contact your executive board.

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About The Committee

Seven and half years ago, the Indian Premier League brought together some of the most influential people in the country to organize the first successful commercial sports venture in India and since then it has attracted the most powerful industrialists, the most influential bureaucrats and the most prominent of entertainers to put up millions of dollars in a dangerous, high stakes game that will impact (on a truly baffling scale) both the future of India and their own standing in society. Winning the game means more than just the pretty trophy, and honestly has scant little to do with the way the sport is played. On the other hand, each of these worthy players needs the others to have the remotest chance of success. With the precarious political situation in India, threats of terrorist activities, the fixing and corruption activities and the economy in flux, this competition needs major logistical changes to stay afloat. The future of Indian cricket relies on their choices, but the impact could be far more pervasive than that.

About The Agenda

There is no agenda as such for the committee and there will be discussions on the various events which have happened in the past as well as which are ongoing in the present. Crisis situations will arrive time to time in this committee as this is meant to be a crisis committee to test the analytical thinking and understanding of the topics by the delegates. If we observe what has happened so far in the IPL, what we notice is that since the inaugural edition of this cricket festival there has been more or less some controversies which have damaged the reputation of this prestigious event. This will be the right time to decide the future of this league and the future lies in your hands.

History of the Committee

IPL 1

- Mumbai Indians' stand-in captain Harbhajan Singh slaps Kings XI Punjab's S Sreesanth after losing a match in Mohali. A sobbing Sreesanth is caught on camera. After investigations, BCCI hands Harbhajan an 11-match suspension. Sreesanth rakes up the issue in the ongoing edition only to be reprimanded.

- Conflicts with the England and Wales Cricket Board
- Media restrictions

IPL 2

- Shifted to South Africa due to general elections, the second edition is marred by allegations of Foreign Exchange violations. The Enforcement Directorate one year later issues 'Red Corner' in the name of former IPL commissioner Modi
- Conflict with Cricket Club of India
- Kings XI co-owner Mohit Burman is beaten up by security guards on allegations of improper behaviour with a lady spectator, belonging to an influential industrialists' family in South Africa.
- Shah Rukh Khan and John Buchanan's decision of 'Multiple Captaincy' creates rifts in KKR team with anonymous blogger 'Fake IPL Player' creating a flutter. Later the blogger reveals his identity and claims that everything in his blog was fictional.

IPL 3

- The BCCI suspends Modi for misappropriation of funds.
- Junior foreign minister Shashi Tharoor resigns from his post after investigations reveals his role in bringing Kochi Tuskers Kerala on board with his then girlfriend Sunanda Pushkar also involved in dealings.
- Chirayu Amin named IPL interim chairman and the missing documents.

IPL 4

- Before the start of tournament, Manish Pandey is banned by IPL governing Council for four matches as he indulges in underhand dealings with franchises -- he would have got a fixed sum being an uncapped domestic Indian player.
- Post fourth edition, Kochi Tuskers Kerala are scrapped from the tournament, after they fail to pay the franchise fees. There were discrepancies found out in their ownership patterns.

IPL 5

- Pune Warriors threatens to pull-out of IPL.

- During IPL, RCB cricketer Luke Pomersbach arrested by police for harassing NRI woman Zohal Hameed and bashing up his boyfriend. Dispute settled out of court.
- Spot Fixing Case.
- Pune players Rahul Sharma and Wayne Parnell caught in a rave party in Mumbai.
- Deccan Chargers scrapped from IPL after they fail to pay up franchisee fee to the BCCI.

IPL 6

- Spot Fixing and Betting Case.
- Pune Warriors withdrawal

IPL 7

- Kieron Pollard and Mitchell Starc spat.

IPL 8

- The ED in May summoned Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) co-owners Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan, actress Juhi Chawla and her husband Jay Mehta. KKR is suspected to have violated Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA) norms by under valuing its shares in a transfer deal with Mehta's overseas company, Sea Island Investments Ltd.
- Known for his power hitting, Knights' opener Robin Uthappa came under fire after he allegedly held Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) youngster Sarfaraz Khan "by the collar". While match referee Javagal Srinath denied receiving any complaint, Gambhir called it "not a major issue" and which "happens with a lot of people".
- RCB skipper Virat Kohli, who was in the news for a heated argument with umpire Kumar Dharmasena during a match against Sunrisers Hyderabad, was found guilty of breaching the ACSU protocol by meeting his girlfriend Anushka Sharma during a match against Delhi Daredevils.
- One of the most popular and successful IPL franchise, the Mahendra Singh Dhoni-led Chennai Super Kings (CSK), found themselves under the

Enforcement Directorate (ED) scanner when the agency sought details regarding the undervaluation of the franchise.

- Modi made a sensational claim that at least four CSK players were involved in match fixing. Referring to the Justice Mudgal Committee which has submitted its report on IPL spot fixing to the Supreme Court, Modi earlier in the month tweeted: "So here is my BREAKING STORY - IF THE #HONORABLE #SUPREME #COURT WAS TO REVEAL THE NAMES OF PLAYERS INVOLVED IN FIXING - at least 4 are CSK." Modi also claimed that "9,000- 10,000 crore of rupees per game" was being cast as bets in the IPL.

Present Scenario

A day after the owners of the Chennai Super Kings and Rajasthan Royals franchises were suspended for two years by a Supreme Court-appointed panel, BCCI and IPL team officials had discussions across the country to try and figure out a way forward.

IPL chairman Rajeev Shukla met with BCCI president Jagmohan Dalmiya in Kolkata to discuss the implications of the Lodha Committee's order, and the Super Kings top management huddled with legal experts in Chennai around the same time. Royals remained tightlipped about their plans for a second day running, but word in the BCCI was that the franchise had no option but to appeal.

While Shukla was sure that "IPL-9 will take place", former IPL vice-chairman Niranjan Shah said a special general body meeting was the need of the hour instead of an IPL governing council meeting.

The question which arises is that Where will the IPL go from here?

Expectations from the Committee

Discussion Questions

- Should The BCCI Invite bids for two new teams for two years and would these be an appropriate option?
- Should The BCCI Invite bids for two new teams for a longer duration?
- Should there be a 6 team IPL from now on knowing that it will be not commercially viable for BCCI?
- Should The BCCI itself runs two teams for two years?
- Should IPL be suspended for 2 years?
- Should The BCCI now remove ban on the players on whom the charges are removed from the court or they should go for looking more evidence to prove them guilty?
- Should The BCCI reform their IPL governing structure after seeing these things?