

ICA General Election 2022 – Know Your Candidate Information Sheets

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Candidate Name: Mr. Aunshuman Gaekwad

Post: ICA President

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Key Agenda for ICA:

1. Pension to ex-Cricketers who have played less than 25 First Class matches since medical reimbursement already given by BCCI.
2. Pension to the eligible widows First Class players as done in case of international players.
3. Seek change in Women Cricketers criteria for pension and medical.
4. ICA State Representatives to be recognized by all State Associations
5. To revive All India Universities Cricket.
6. To make the ICA self-sustaining by collecting more funds by way of sponsorship, events etc.
7. To get current Cricketers under the umbrella of ICA.

Cricketing and Administrative Credentials:

- Played International Cricket: 15 years
- National Selector: 4 yrs.
- Coach of Junior & Senior Indian Team: 3 Years
- Member Affiliation/CAC Committees (BCCI)
- Recipient of “Lifetime Achievement Award” 2019: BCCI
- Recipient of the “Sardar Patel Award”: (GOG)
- Hon. Secretary of the Baroda Cricket Association
- Played 2 World Cups for India in 1975 and 1979
- Captained the Baroda team for 18 Years
- Played First Class Cricket for 24 Years
- Elected as Cricketers’ Representative to Apex Council of BCCI since last 3 years.

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have been involved in forming the ICA right since its inception in 2019 along with Kapil Dev, Bharath Reddy, Shantha Rangaswamy and Mr. Pillai -as the Chairman (the then Home Sec. Govt. of India). After months of meetings, deliberations also considering the other worldwide players associations and their functioning – this baby called the Indian Cricketers Association (ICA) was born.

When the first ever elections were conducted in October 2019 – my colleagues and well wishers encouraged and convinced me to contest to serve the Players Representative role in the Apex Council of BCCI. Even though I have been associated for more than 50 years and in various capacities, to be quite frank – I was nervous. Those were the initial days of the pandemic and reaching out to a thousand plus members physically was just not possible. However, it was you member friends who kept their faith in me and chose me to as your representative to the Apex council of the BCCI. I was thrilled and excited at the opportunity- however I knew what was to follow – the responsibility to ensure the welfare needs of our Ex First Class Cricketers is fulfilled.

The journey and the experience in the Apex Council, BCCI over the last 3 years had its share of challenges. It was a tough ask to collect information and bringing together various officials to an agreement. However, the patience and perseverance paid off at last. One of our biggest achievements was – the medical reimbursement for ex first class cricketers which was doubled from 5Lacs to 10 Lacs. Even the Gratis -Pension payouts in most cases have been doubled – I am profusely grateful to the BCCI for all their support in making this happen.

Last but not the least – I thank all my member friends here at ICA for giving me this opportunity to serve you all and also seek the same support in time to come. Rest Assuring my whole hearted effort at all times.

Candidate Name: Mr. Hitesh Majmudar

Post: ICA Secretary

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Respected Members,

First of all, I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve the ICA as its first Secretary. The last three years were quite challenging, not just because we were taking baby steps as the first ever BCCI recognised player body, but also due the pandemic that disrupted all our lives.

Despite that I look back at my first term with a great deal of satisfaction. As a first step not only did the BCCI grant the request to increase the medical reimbursement from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 10 lakh to those who have played 10 or more FC matches, towards the end of the term, following a number of meetings with the BCCI office bearers, the pension payable was doubled for many and close to double to a lot others. In between my Board and I ensured that those members who hadn't played 10 or more FC matches were offered a top-up Medical Insurance cover. That we managed to achieve all this despite being forced to work without a Treasurer for the second half of the term, makes it all the more satisfying.

Also as much as nearly Rs 60 lakh was raised from fellow cricketers and distributed to cricketers in need over the last 3 years.

A lot though still needs to be done, especially for those members who have played between 10 and 24 FC games and women domestic cricketers and family pension for first class cricketers, keen to work on these points on priority.

It is for reasons like these that I am contesting as Secretary for a second term in the ICA elections coming up on Oct 27, 28 and 29.

I seek your vote once again. With your support a lot more can be achieved by us as a body especially now that the pandemic seems to be all but over.

Look forward to your support and vote in my favour.

Candidate Name: Mr. Surendra V Nayak (Suru Nayak)

Post: ICA Secretary

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have played 72 FC matches for Mumbai and West Zone between 1976 to 1990.

I have achieved the double scoring 1000 runs & captured more than 100 wickets. Apart from being a Former Test Cricketer I was employed with various companies and have worked and achieved Managerial positions.

My stints were with Tatas, Nirlon's, Sun-Grace Mafatlal & CCI. I am a qualified Level 2 Coach from NCA. I successfully coached the Mumbai U-15 Teams for 3 Years.

I played 15 Years in the English Leagues from 1979 - 1993.

At CCI I headed the Cricket Operations team and successfully staged the ICC Champions Trophy in 2006.

Later I joined BCCI as the Cricket Operations Manager (2007-2014). I successfully assisted our Indian Cricket for this period. I have been instrumental in staging Two (2) World Cups for ICC & BCCI in 2011 & 2013 as the Host Tournament Director & Tournament Director for the Men's & Women's World Cup tournaments. Planning the FTP (Future Tours Programs) Planning the Bi-lateral series, India 'A', U-23, U-19 Quadrangular series and many more.

BCCI seconded me to head the NCA for 6 months when there was crisis there. I held both the portfolios from Bengaluru.

Planned the Cricket All Stars Matches in the USA in 2015 (Sachin Tendulkar & Shane Warne) successfully.

In 2018-19 BCCI appointed me as the Chairman of selection committee for UCCC (Uttarakhand) UCC qualified in the knock out stage in that year.

I successfully conducted the Road Safety World series as Tournament Director in 2021 & 2022.

I have put my hat in the ring & made myself available to serve the Player's cause and hope that you would find my credentials suitable for the post.

I would pursue the following:

- a) Gratis for widows/widowers of domestic FC cricketers
- b) Increase medical reimbursements.
- c) Gratis to retired domestic cricketers (both male and female) who have played less than 25 FC matches.

- d) Try & form a bond with our parent body the BCCI.
- e) Inclusion of Gratis / (One Time / Monthly pension for players who have represented their States in List 'A' Cricket (Less than 25 FC Matches or List A)
- f) Integrated efforts (Digital + Offline) to garner reach, increase awareness of ICA and eventually attract sponsorships.

Candidate Name: Mr. V. Krishnaswamy

Post: ICA Treasurer

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have played 42 FC matches for Tamilnadu and South Zone between 1970 and 1981. I was a banker by profession. I am a retired General Manager of Indian Overseas Bank and President of Karur Vysya Bank.

I contested the elections for the post of Treasurer ICA in 2019 due to my professional financial background and the experience gained as a banker who held high positions in banking industry. I was duly elected.

During my stint with ICA I gave my full efforts to raise funds during pandemic to help needy cricketers, all matters relating to Registrar of Companies, making changes to our AOA & MOA as required by IT Dept, manage accounts, set up the office, obtain tax exemption approval and oversee the office workings.

However, during 2021 due to certain happenings I had to resign my post. But due to changed circumstances now as well as at the request of many friends in ICA I have decided to contest for Treasurer again.

If elected I will pursue

1. gratis for widows/widowers of domestic FC cricketers,
2. further increase in medical reimbursement ,
3. gratis to retired domestic cricketers (both male and female) who are not getting the same now and
4. To ensure that ICA engages with members more frequently.

To enable to serve the ICA and past cricketers better, I request you to ensure that support me in the elections.

Candidate Name: Ms. Jyoti Thatte

Post: ICA Member Representative

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Dear Voter,

You might be wondering who this Jyoti Thatte is and what is her intention in filling the nomination for the post of ICA member representative. Let me provide my answers and if my answers appeal to your wisdom then do vote in my favour.

1. We come across only two three familiar names that represent women's cricket everywhere. It is not that the other women cricketers are devoid of talent but they don't come forward I want to change this.

2. The financial benefits that are accorded by the BCCI to Excricketers have benefitted only some international players while others who have played domestic and less number of international matches have been left out though their contribution to the cause of cricket is no less. The need for gratis is acute to many domestic players who have sacrificed their educational career to pursue cricket.

3. Any matter related to ex-cricketer that has to be conveyed to the cricketing authority in proper perspective, I will convey it. If voted to the position.

4 Just as one tool is not enough or even proper to execute everything, one person cannot fit in all the roles. Even if someone is the captain of a team he or she cannot do the job of all eleven players.

If my reasons appeal to your wisdom. Do vote for me.

I have played for Vidarbha from 85 to 92. currently I am into business.

Candidate Name: Mr. Yajurvindra Singh Bilka

Post: ICA Member Representative

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Key Agenda for ICA:

To solve, promote, implement and represent the needs for the welfare of the former Indian cricketers that I had done as a representative earlier.

Cricketing and Administrative Credentials:

Played Test Cricket for India and represented and captained Maharashtra & Saurashtra in the Ranji Trophy. Also played for West Zone and Rest of India.

I was Chairman of Maharashtra's Cricket Selection Committee in 2003 & 2004.

I hold the record for the maximum catches by a fielder in Test Cricket.

I worked for Mahindra & Mahindra from 1973-2000. I was instrumental in marketing & selling their vehicles Overseas for 10 years and then was the Product Head of Utility (Jeep) vehicles in the Domestic market

I set-up Wisden in India and was their Managing Director from 2000-2003. I launched The Wisden website, cricket magazine, TV programs such as Wisden 20-20 and the Wisden Cricketer of the Century, which was won by Kapil Dev.

From 2004- 2016 I joined one of India's foremost company Tata Consultancy Services. I was the Head of International Events and India Marketing and was instrumental in their IPL, Marathons and many other sports and corporate sponsorships. I also headed and set-up TCS's All India Sports Initiatives ranging from Cricket, Football, Tennis, Table Tennis, Judo and several other sporting activities.

I am a regular contributor of cricket related articles to some leading publications like The Week, IANS etc. I also appear on television, cricket events and Radio as an expert.

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Cricket for me is a passion and I was truly blessed to have played it at the highest level.

To achieve my dream to play for India was only made possible by the support, assistance and encouragement that I received through several of my fellow cricketers.

I am so glad that the BCCI has initiated and established the Indian Cricketers Association for the welfare and benefit of all the former as well as the current cricketers. Indian cricketers needed to be heard and given a voice and ICA has been a wonderful platform for one to do so.

I feel privileged that I was part of the first group that set-up the ICA during the difficult time of the Covid pandemic. We established the ICA office and staff in Bangalore which is running smoothly and efficiently since the last 3 years. This enabled us to help many cricketers and their families in their dire situation.

We at ICA, did manage to get the Medical Insurance amount increased as well as the Gratis amount for cricketers who are beneficiaries of the BCCI scheme. However, the medical Insured amount, I feel, needs to be pursued further, as an annual Insured amount rather than a sealed lifetime amount of 10 Lakhs at present for a cricketer. My aim would also be to get the Spouses of the domestic cricketers recognized for Gratis by the BCCI, similar to the International cricketers. Furthermore, to also include Gratis for cricketers who have played between 10 to 24 matches as well.

I will be truly humbled and privileged to be elected once again as the Member Representative in the ICA and my goal is to help, assist, hear and represent the needs and wants of the former players.

Cricketers, sacrifice their youth playing the game and one needs to ensure that they are cared for and looked after they retire. My objective through ICA would be to create an opportunity for cricketer to educate, skill and find new avenues for them to continue their association with the sport and earn a living through it.

For me, it will be a pleasure to serve every cricketer who played and plays the game in India.

Candidate Name: Mr. Dilip Balwant Vengsarkar.

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to Apex Council of BCCI

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

- For All Cricketers
- Pension
- One time benefit
- Mediciam/Insurance
- Pension to Widows
- Increase in existing Pension/Medical
- Academies
- Scholarships/Sponsorships

CRICKETING/ADMINISTRATIVE CREDENTIALS

- Played International cricket for 16 years 1976 to 1992
- Captain of India
- Played in 116 Test matches and 129 One Day Internationals
- Played for the Rest of the World team in the Bi-centenary Test match
- Best batsman in the world for the record 21 months according to Deloit ratings
- Captain of Mumbai and played 1st class cricket for 18 years
- Chairman of Talent Resource Development Wing of the BCCI for four years
- Chairman of Cricket Improvement Committee of BCCI
- Director National Cricket Academy of BCCI
- Chairman Selection committee of BCCI
- Vice President of Mumbai Cricket Association for ten years
- Recipient of Arjun award,
- Recipient of Padmashree,
- Recipient of Wisden cricketer of the year
- Recipient of Life time achievement Award of BCCI

Personal Statement to ICA voters

I have been in cricket as a player, Administrator (Mumbai & India) for more than 50 years. At Mumbai cricket Association, I started the Pension fund and Mediciam for the former players who have played 1 to 25 Ranji Trophy matches. After my retirement from International cricket, I devote a lot of time promoting, nurturing talent at the grass-root level by offering International level facilities for thousands of cricketers ‘Free of Charge’, many of them come from very humble background. Over the years, a lot of players have gone on to play for India in various age group

tournaments besides Tests, One Day Internationals and IPL. Besides, many players got employment in various corporates, Banks etc.

I thank you & look forward to your continued support.

Candidate Name: Ms. Shubhangi Dattatraya Kulkarni.

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council

Key Agenda Items for ICA:

It will be my sincere endeavor to:

- Further the cause of betterment of all cricketers
- Redefine the criteria for gratis for ICA members and widows
- Pursue welfare benefits for former cricketers such as pensions, mediclaim, and insurance
- Make maximum number of former players ICA members
- Any other matters suggested by members

Cricketing Achievements:

- Captain, Indian Women's Cricket Team - 1986, 1991
- Played 19 Tests and 27 ODI's for India as a middle order batter and leg-spinner
- International career span 1976 to 1991
- Arjuna Award - 1985 (then India's highest sports award)
- Shiv Chhatrapati Award - 1985 (then Maharashtra's highest sports award)
- Represented Maharashtra – 1974 to 1991
- Honorary Life Member, Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) since 2017
- Most 5-wicket hauls in Women's Test Cricket
- Highest wicket taker in a Women's Test Series
- Century on debut as Captain of the Indian Team in England
- 5-wicket haul on debut in Women's Tests

Cricket Administration Credentials:

- ICC Women's Committee - Asia Representative 2006-2018
- Chairperson, Asian Cricket Council (ACC) Women's Committee 2006-2018
- Convenor/Member, BCCI Women's Committee 2006-2010
- Hon. Secretary, Women's Cricket Association of India 2003-2006

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I made my international debut for India in 1976 and continued to play for the Indian team in Test cricket, ODIs and two World Cups until I retired as Captain of the Indian team in 1991 after which I became a cricket administrator. Over the last 30+ years, I have been continuously championing the cause of women's cricket at the highest levels through various positions at the Women's

Cricket Association of India (WCAI), Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), Asian Cricket Council (ACC) and the International Cricket Council (ICC).

Cricket has also been a large part of my professional life. I have been one of India's earliest sports entrepreneurs manufacturing, marketing, and selling cricket merchandise and goods domestically and internationally. Serving the needs of upcoming, current, and established cricketers and teams has been the hallmark of my professional journey.

As Secretary of WCAI, my role was to organise domestic as well as international cricket and to enhance the profile of women's cricket in India. This included arranging funds and sponsors, planning schedules for tournaments, organising events, creating awareness and developing and enhancing the standard of women's cricket in India. During my tenure, the Indian women's cricket team reached the finals of the 2005 Women's Cricket World Cup for the first time in history.

As Secretary of WCAI, I planned, led negotiations and successfully engineered the merger of WCAI with BCCI, to bring Indian women's cricket under the aegis of the BCCI per the global mandate when the ICC and IWCC were merged.

As the convenor/member of the BCCI Women's Committee, I was instrumental in instituting pension benefits to former international women cricketers.

As Chairperson of the ACC Women's Committee, my role included starting and developing women's cricket in the non-Test playing countries and enhancing the standard of the Test playing countries.

As an ICC Women's Cricket Committee member, my role was to recommend a strategic plan to the ICC Executive Committee to grow the game of women's cricket and enhance the standard and profile in the member countries of ICC. We set the global agenda, strategy and direction of the women's game.

I was conferred the Shiv Chhatrapati Award in 1984, Arjuna Award in 1985. In 2017 I was made an Honorary Life Member of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) Lords.

As the female representative of the ICA on the BCCI Apex Council, I will take up matters for ICA members with the primary objective of adding value to their lives. I seek your support in making this endeavor a successful one for all of us.

Candidate Name: Mr. Vijay Mohan Raj

Post: ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Dear Members of the ICA and my fellow Cricketers,

I am Vijay Mohan Raj, representing Hyderabad Cricket FROM 1980-87 IN THE Ranji Trophy.

Also represented Bombay from 1975-80. Also against touring England team.

Represented South Zone in Duleep and Deodhar Trophy. Also against touring sides England and Australia.

Level C Coach qualified from NCA. Former Selector and Coach of the Hyderabad Ranji Trophy team.

You may be aware that I have filed my nomination for the post of “ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council”.

As such I would like to mention some of my past contributions to the cause of the Cricketers:

- I was the first person in India to float the idea of forming a players association which I did in Hyderabad much before the HCA or BCCI contemplated it.
- This Association floated the idea of providing LIC policies for former players for which we collected the premium from the HCA. Many former players and their families benefitted from it.
- We held get togethers and meetings for players and their spouse every year and raised funds for medical bills from the members.
- My initiative has benefitted several former players even though at which time there was no contribution from the BCCI or local association for more than a decade.
- Some of you may be aware of my writing columns in various news paper publications and interview in tv channels on the cause of the rights of the players.
- As a player I have contributed immensely to the teams I represented namely Mumbai and Hyderabad. I was member of the Ranji Trophy winning team twice for Mumbai and once for Hyderabad for whom I scored an unbeaten Double hundred in the finals against Delhi when Hyderabad won after 49 years.

My Vision and Agenda:

It may not be erroneous to highlight the importance of the post of “ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council”. I would like all of you to recollect the first year when the BCCI instituted the IPL tournament when it was envisaged that it would be the city teams which would be backed by the Franchise and the purpose was to provide an opportunity for local players to get an opportunity to perform thereby raising the standard of Cricket in the local area as well as the states around for which a jurisdiction was created.

However over the years the prime purpose of raising the standards locally and providing synergy to promote the game at grass root level has not been adequately addressed. In the first year when IPL was instituted I was the Manager of the Deccan Chargers franchise and have first hand experience in setting up a franchise team and management. If elected I would work towards the cause of promoting the interest of local players towards this cause.

Apart from the above in my professional field I have administrative experience:

In the first year when IPL was instituted I was the Manager of the Deccan Chargers franchise and have first hand experience in setting up a franchise team and management.

I was Chairman of Travel Agents Association of India; President SKÅL International; International Director SKÅL International; Chairman of the SKÅL World Congress which I brought to India for the first time.

All this because of my profession of being the Managing Director of Sameera Travels and Tours Pvt Ltd a travel and Tourism enterprise since 1988.

I have made myself available to serve the players cause and hope that you would find my above mentioned credentials suitable for the post.

I request all members to vote for me when the voting site opens between 27th and 29th of October.

Thanking you in Advance for your support.

Candidate Name: Mr. Pragyam Ojha

Post: ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Respected Members,

We thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve the ICA as its first-ever Team, and we are keen to take forward the journey that we had embarked on last year.

The last three years have been quite challenging for us. Though our team was taking baby steps as the first-ever BCCI recognised player body, but the global COVID pandemic had disrupted all our lives.

Despite the uncertain times, we look back at our first term with a great deal of satisfaction.

We are happy to have achieved many of the goals we had set for the betterment of our Fellow Cricketers.

1. We were obliged that the BCCI granted our request to increase the medical reimbursement from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 10 lakh for players who have played 10 or more FC matches.
2. Towards the end of the term, following a number of meetings with the BCCI office bearers, the pension payable was nearly doubled for many players and increased significantly for many more.
3. We ensured that those members who hadn't played 10 or more FC matches were offered a top-up Medical Insurance cover.

Our team managed to achieve all this despite working without a Treasurer for the second half of the term. In addition to this, in the past 3 years, we managed to raise nearly Rs. 60 lakh from fellow cricketers and distributed to cricketers in need.

We understand and acknowledge that a lot still needs to be done, especially for those members who have played between 10 and 24 FC games, the women domestic cricketers and family pension.

It is for reasons like these that we are contesting for the next Term in ICA elections coming up on Oct 27, 28 and 29. Contesting for Governing council post from ICA.

We seek your valuable vote once again. With your support, we are hopeful that our team can achieve a lot more and give a solid boost to the cricketing community in the country.

Looking forward to your continued support and vote in our favour.

Candidate Name: Mr. Dasari Oscar Vinodh Kumar

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Andhra Cricket Association

Key Agenda for ICA:

An opportunity to develop the standard of cricket at grass root level, especially in Andhra, and to be a voice of reason for all ex-cricketers to uphold the spirit of the game. To make cricket more accessible to raw, hidden talent across the state and help in honing their skills and give them an opportunity to shine.

Cricketing and Administrative Credentials:

Cricketing Experience

- 1986-87 Represented Indian South Zone U-17
- 1988-89 Represented Indian South Zone U-19
- 1989-90 Represented South Zone U-21 & U-23
- 1989-96 Represented Andhra in Ranji Trophy
- 1991 U-21 ACA team Captain
- 1991 Butchi Babu Memorial Invitation Tournament
- 1991-92 KySCA Tournament
- 1992-93 Moin-Ud-Dowlah Tournament
- 1993 Played Against Visiting Bangladesh Team
- Played for SBI from 1989-2004

Administrative Experience

- 2001 U-14 State Selector, ACA
- 2002 U-19 State Selector, ACA
- 2006 Ranji Trophy Selection Committee
- 2008-09 Cricket Committee, ACA
- 2009 Observer- U19 State Matches
- 2020 ACLO, ACA
- 2021-22 Member, Cricket Advisory Committee- ACA

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Earlier, in my capacity as a first-class cricketer, I believe I have shown exemplary form and conviction in many victories of the team. Additionally, I have also attended the Level I and II Coaching, and also Match Referee Certification Programs conducted by the BCCI. It has helped me gain meaningful insights of the nitty-gritty that present day cricket demands.

My core strength lies in the fact that I have always held ground when faced with challenges and will willingly transcend any differences that disrupt the spirit of cricket. I will ensure that the best talents from across the state get rightful guidance and meaningful mentorship from ex players

which will help in nurturing youngsters to be successful cricketers. I believe that my presence as a representative would bring about a positive change and would enhance the standard of cricket in our state.

Candidate Name: Mr. Prasanna Kumar

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Andhra Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I Prasanna Kumar played first class cricket from 1979 to 1989, had a pleasurable and wonderful period playing for ACA and Andhra Bank a premier cricket team in the south zone. I represented south zone in the Deodhar Trophy and Vizzy Trophy, was also a member of the south zone team against visiting Australians led by Alan Border in 1987. I was also member in CAC of ACA in 2020-21.

I am now contesting as a Male ICA Representative to Apex Body of ACA. It is indeed a great opportunity for me to be a part of ACA apex body by virtue of my fellow cricketers electing me to this body.

Achievements:

- I was instrumental in submitting a petition to our Ombudsman of ACA for recognising a former player's cricket association which includes former Men and Woman first class cricketers.
- Played a Key role in getting Gratis sanction to all our former Ranji Trophy players (Men) who have missed the BCCI gratis.

To Achieve:-

- MEDICAL Insurance Scheme to all First Class Cricketers(Men & Woman)
- Financial support to economically poor cricketers(boys and girls)
- Appointing talent scout teams to spot talented cricketers from across the state of Andhra Pradesh
- Reviving the Academies.
- Scholarships/Sponsorships to eligible cricketers(Men & Woman)

This is a big opportunity for me to be a part of the ACA apex body and I am sure of giving my inputs/suggestions to ACA towards development of the game. I would also seek guidance and recommendations from my fellow cricketers for the best of the game.

Thank You.

Candidate Name: Ms. Perumal Karthikeyan Neelavathi.

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Andhra Cricket Association

Key Agenda for ICA:

- Ensure benefits from ICA with regard to medical, insurance etc reach women cricketers of Andhra Pradesh.
- Highlight issues of women cricket and cricketers and facilitate redressal of grievances of players from home chapter.
- Play an important role in State Apex Council in development of the game and its players

Cricketing and Administrative Credentials

Cricket

- Represented Andhra Pradesh State from 2000 to 2013
- Represented Seniors State and Nationals & sub Junior Nationals All India University since 2000 to 2013.
- Captained S.V. University Cricket Team in all India University in 2008-2011.
- Captained the Senior Andhra Women Cricket Team for 1 time.

Umpiring

- Level '0' & Level 1 completed through Andhra.

Administrative credentials

- Excellent leadership qualities and interpersonal skills.
- Excellent communication and written skills
- Good organizational skills
- Ability to motivate students and inspire them for better results in the sports competition
- Knowledge of physical exercises and yoga

Education Qualification

- MCA from S.V. University in 2011.
- B.Sc Computer Science at Sri Vidyanikethan in 2008.

Work Experience

- Worked and working as a Security Officer at Airindia Pvt Ltd (Airline) could not continue as I was forcing more for women's cricket in ACA.

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Earlier, in my capacity as a first-class cricketer, I believe I have shown exemplary form and conviction in many victories of the team. Additionally, I have also attended the Level I and II Coaching, and also Match Referee Certification Programs conducted by the BCCI. It has helped me gain meaningful insights of the nitty-gritty that present day cricket demands. My core strength lies in the fact that I have always held ground when faced with challenges and will willingly transcend any differences that disrupt the spirit of cricket. I will ensure that the best talents from across the state get rightful guidance and meaningful mentorship from ex players which will help in nurturing youngsters to be successful cricketers. I believe that my presence as a representative would bring about a positive change and would enhance the standard of cricket in our state.

Candidate Name: Ms. Arpita Patel

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of the Baroda Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have played for the state of Gujarat (there was no separate Baroda team at that time) and for Mumbai between 1996 to 2004 for over 50 first class matches. I have also played multiple matches against International Women's Cricket Teams of England, West Indies and New Zealand representing India A team.

Presently at Baroda Cricket Association, I serve as the Selector for the Senior Women's Cricket (in this role since last 3 years) and the Chairperson for the Junior Women's Cricket (current year).

I have 15+ years of Corporate Industry experience to drive and manage client relationships, implement programs, and drive their effectiveness. I currently head Renewals for India, Middle East and Rest of the World Regions for Software Product company – Automation Anywhere which is headquartered at USA.

I believe I will be able to leverage my cricket and corporate experience along with holistic view of the current presence of cricket in our day to day lives to understand and increase possibilities to facilitate redressal of grievances and wants of the players.

It would be a pleasure to serve the game of Cricket and be able to assist the former players to represent their thoughts on requirements for the betterment of the game and personal development.

Academic Qualifications:

I have a Bachelor's in Commerce along with proficiency working on tools like Tableau and Salesforce.

I am currently pursuing Master's in Data Science and Business Analytics (Through Python) through University of Austin.

I appeal to all voting members to give your valuable vote for my selection along with your suggestions.

Candidate Name: Mr. Arun Khurana

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Delhi District Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

- Schooling: St Xavier's High School, Rajpur Road, Delhi.
- Graduation: B.Com (Hon) from Delhi University.
- Post-Graduation: Joined Law Faculty Delhi but left to join Mahindra & Mahindra,
- Corporate Experience: Retired from Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd as Senior Regional Manager North - Strategic Sourcing Unit.
- AT DDCA: General Manager Cricket Operations from Dec 2019 to Feb 2020.

SPORTS ACHEVEMENTS:

- Rohinton Baria Trophy: Captained Delhi University.
- Vizzy Trophy: Captained North Zone Universities in 1980 / 1981.
- Ranji Trophy: Played for Delhi and North Zone. Was playing member of
- Delhi Ranji Team which won Ranji Trophy for the 1st Time in 1978/
- 1979 at Bangalore under Sh. Bishan Singh Bedi.
- Duleep Trophy: Played for Delhi from 1978- 83.
- India under 22 Indian Team: Represented India under 22 against the visiting West Indies at Pune in 1979.

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

- LEVEL 2 Coach with Board of Control for Cricket in India.
- Member of Coaching Staff (Specialized Spinner Coach) DDCA for Under
- 16, Under 19 & Under 23 From June to Sept 2018.
- Honorary Faculty member with Sonnet Club as Head Spinners Coach under Dronacharya Awardee Late Shri Tarak Sinha.

VISION & MISSION:

- Shall be an INDEPENDENT & UNINHIBITED VOICE of FELLOW
- CRICKETERS.
- Urgent release of payment of outstanding dues of Coaches, Selectors & Support Staff both male & female.
- All Cricket Committees to be exclusively manned by Players with adequate remuneration as contemplated by Lodha Committee.
- Re-Introduction of Pension Scheme for former Cricketers.

- Timely disbursement of allowance & subsidy of affiliated Clubs.
- Advance Calendar for conduct of Domestic Cricket.
- Timely Selection of all age group teams.
- Organise Annual Conclave of former players.
- Medical Group Insurance for Former Players.

Candidate Name: Mr. Raj Kumar Sharma

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Delhi District Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Agenda for the players

1. Pension for women cricketers and male cricketers who have played less than 25 first class matches.
2. Medical insurance for all women and male cricketers and their families.
3. **Pending payments of the previous years.**
4. Increase in the remuneration of support staff (coach/ manager etc.)

MY PROFILE :

Recipient of prestigious DRONA ACHARYA AWARD IN 2016

Coached **VIRAT KOHLI** since his childhood

Qualified level B coach from NCA.

Played for Delhi in Ranji Trophy in between 1986-1992.

Played and coached in Bangladesh for 3 years.

Coached Malta national team for 2 years.

Took various camps in Uk, Australia and Oman.

Coach/ Selector for Delhi in various age groups for past 15 years.

Head coach of Delhi Ranji Trophy for last 2 years.

Coach of Delhi Under-22 Team which was All India Champion for the first time in year 2017-18.

Coached in various ZCA camps for boys and specialist coach for women camps.

Took a NCA specialist camp for senior Indian Women spinners and wicket keepers along with Nayan Mongia.

Thank you, seek your support and blessings in the upcoming ICA elections

Candidate Name: Ms. Manjula Kishor

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Hyderabad Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters :

Will strive sincerely to give my best to ICA in pursuing it's welfare measures to retired players. Give positive inputs in extending the pension benefits to domestic women cricketers, especially those who represented their respective zones (by default acts as a proof of them playing in the XI of their state, in view of lack of records) Their hard work and dedication should be recognised and some sort of monetary benefit must be extended to them as gesture of appreciation of their dedication, commitment and hardships they faced during their playing days and kept the game alive from dying in its infancy.

Moot an idea (as an act of emphatic and compassionate social responsibility) to build dignity homes/hostel accommodation for those unfortunate elderly Cricketers who may be in dire economic state and are on roads without family support

Information Statement of Cricket and academic credentials:-

Played 23 first class matches(69

ODIs divided by 3=23) in a career spanning over 11 years from 1977 to 1988

a) Represented and lead Andhra Pradesh in South Zone inter state tournaments & Senior Nationals.

b) Represented South Zone in the Rani Jhansi Inter Zones from 1979 to 1986, two times in the victorious side (Dehradun 1979 and Bombay 1983)

d) Played against the visiting teams as a member of

1. SZ vs England -1981

2. WCAI President's XI vs Australia- 1983/84

e) Other Cricketing roles:

Member & Chairperson of the Selection Committees of

1. AP Seniors, South Zone, Indian Railways & Hyderabad Cricket Association

2. Coach for AP Juniors & Seniors teams, South Zone Seniors team
3. Coach of India A teams against the visiting England and Australia teams
4. Passed Level-1 Coaching Course conducted by NCA for all women coaches in 2008

f) Media Roles:

1. TV & Radio Commentator, Cricket Analyst in English and Telugu languages. Can speak English, Telugu and Hindi fluently.

g) Academic Qualifications:

1. Post Graduate- MA Sociology
2. PG Diploma in Journalism

h) Work experience:

1. A freelance journalist having contributed articles on sports and women emancipation in leading English newspapers and magazines
2. Worked as Assistant PRO in a leading Telugu Newspaper
3. Joined SC Railways as one of the first batch of women cricketers to be inducted on sports quota in 1985. Worked in Public Relations Department for nearly three decades. Handled sensitive & confidential subjects in a career spanning nearly 36 years.

Marital Status: Married

Husband has his own Chemical Industry

Children: Two daughters, both are engineers. Elder one is married, works in Google in Ireland

Younger daughter is a manager in leading pharmaceutical company in Chicago.

Candidate Name: Ms. Vanka Roma Singh

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Hyderabad Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

D.O.B : 16.9.1974

Electoral Roll no: HCA- 1179

Association :Hyderabad Cricket Association

Education: Graduate

Marital status : Married

Cricket . Right hand opening batsman and off spinner

First Class matches :12

Cricket:-

1. Represented Andhra Pradesh Senior State Team(APWCA) in South zone Inter state Tournament from 1989 to 1995.
2. Represented Andhra Pradesh Senior State team in Senior Nationals in 1994 and 1995
- 3.Represented Indian University in Central zone championship held in Bhopal in 1993
- 4.Represented Andhra Pradesh Sr. State Team in Cricket tour to Sri Lanka in 1997
5. Represented Andhra Pradesh Sr State Team against visiting England and South Africa Team
- 6.Represented South Central Railway and was part of champion team in 1995-96.
- 7.Represented Andhra Pradesh Sr. State Team in inter State Nargis Dutt Trophy in 1993 and Times trophy in 1992

Cricketing Roles in HCA:-

1. Worked as a chairman for Senior selection Committee .
2. Worked as a member for Senior selection committee for 2 yrs
- 3.Worked as a cricket Cordinator for women
4. Represented HCA in southzone Zonal selection committee meeting held in Tamilnadu in 2014

Policy :-

To work in a Fair and Transparent manner

Agenda:-

- 1.Take measures to promote the welfare, betterment and interest of all ICA Members
- 2.Strive for pension/ gratis equally for men and womens ICA members ,,who are not receiving any BCCI pension.
- 3.To start women's league in HCA in best interest of women's cricket

4. To organize more matches,camps and tournaments for women's cricketers.
- 5.Promote the interest of former players and their active involvement in Cricket development.
Maximum members to be given opportunities to serve cricket as coaches, selectors ,refree coordinator,scorer etc.
6. To ensure grounds have proper facilities for players ,especially for women players like Toilets and dressing rooms.
- 7.Respect and safety of women cricketers with utmost care , Any misbehavior on women cricketers will be dealt with strong action immediately.
- 8.Allot 4 passes to each player
- 9.To provide Family medical insurance to all ICA members equally ,,irrespective of the number of matches played for state
10. Keeping Transparency in all activities without corruption in fair manner .
- 11.To stand with all ICA members in time of need and work towards achievement of goals collectively.
- 12 To keep equally the respect of all ICA members as a family irrespective of the number of matches played .

Candidate Name: Ms. P Ruth Surekha

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Hyderabad Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Education:

1. Bachelor of Arts
2. Diploma in Private Secretary Course. @ Datamatics.

Marital status: Married

Cricket : 1. Medium Pace Bowler

2. Right hand Middle order Batsman.

1. Represented Andhra Pradesh Senior State Team (APWCA) in Inter State South Zone Tournaments.
2. Represented Andhra Pradesh in Senior Nationals for the than APWCA team.
3. Represented Osmania University in All India Universities Tournament.
4. Represented Indian University.
5. Represented South Central Railway in All India Inter Railway Tournaments.

Active Roles played in Hyderabad Cricket Association:

1. Worked as **Coordinator for women** - During my tenure more than 40 schools, Colleges and Girls Orphan Age Center's were targeted to Develop the game. Around 28 teams participated by showing Interest in the game.
2. **Manager for HCA (Women)** Team for Juniors, Seniors (3 day game, 50 overs and T20) and Manager for South Zone Team also.
3. **Selector for HCA (Women)** – During my tenure the following laurels were bought by women Team.
 - (i) We secured first position in South Zone in all formats of game.
 - (ii) Our team has secured 2nd place at National Level by beating Indian Railways which created History.

- (iii) It is to mention that during my tenure we could be able to produce **Five Women players to Represent India from Hyderabad,** namely Diana David, Gauhar Sultana, Shravanthi Naidu, Mamta Kanojia and Sunitha Anand.
- (iv) After Hyderabad Team Achieved Position at Zone level and National Level, we used to convince Secretary for grant Bonus to all members of the team.

Points to improve Standard of Cricket/Cricketers in HCA :

1. To take Hyderabad cricket to the next level by promoting players from grass root level.
2. To Nature the Cricketers to Play the game with full Commitment, Discipline. and bring laurels to HCA.
3. To have Satellite Camps (To provide girls/players with more opportunities to attend camps) for better and safe travel.
4. To development of Cricket at District level.
5. To have Camps for the emerging cricketers from Grass root level.
6. To start Leagues matches in HCA (Women) i.e; regular Leagues, Inter School's and College tournaments etc;.
7. Separate grounds for Women with all facilities and security to the players.
8. Every day Practice at Gymkhana or Uppal Stadium Grounds for all Cricketers
9. **Bring in more players to Represent State as well as India.**

Key Agenda for ICA Voters:

Cricket for me is a passion and all my Family members have represented the game at different levels. I truly feel blessed to have played along with most of the ICA/HCA members and served the game with highest endurance & respect. My main goal with you all on my side is to improve and to promote, implement and to represent and to bring back the glorious days of women's cricket that we have witnessed during our time.

1. Equal chances to Ex-players for serving the game in all Department.
2. Pension /gratis and medical insurance for all the ICA members as per the norms of HCA/BCCI.
3. Holding regular meeting with members for suggestion to improve the system and to work in a Fair and Transparent manner.
4. To respect and to recognize Ex and present players, irrespective of their achievements.
5. I would also encourage all the former cricketers to enroll in Cricket Development Activities conducted by BCCI, to serve as Coaches, Trainers, Referee, Scorer and Video Analyst and many roles on the way as per the eligibility and interest.
6. I believe that my presence as a representative would bring about a positive change and would enhance the standard of cricket in our state.

With your support we can do more to serve and to present various issues covering women cricket to the State Association and also issues connected with welfare of woman cricketers who have retired from competitive cricket after having played without much financial support.

I request you all to kindly support by casting your valuable vote when the **voting site opens between 27th and 29th of October.**

Thanking you all.

Candidate Name: Ms. K Jayaraman

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of the Kerala Cricket Association

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT:

- I am a former Captain of the Kerala Ranji Trophy team and have represented South Zone Team in Duleep Trophy, Deodhar Trophy and also against the visiting Australia and MCC Team. I have served as the Junior National Selector of BCCI and was the Chairman of Kerala Cricket Association's Senior and Junior Teams. I have also served as a Match Referee for BCCI to officiate Ranji Trophy Matches and Junior State Matches.
- I have worked with India Piston Pvt Ltd and with Kerala Cricket Association as the Director of their Project "CASH " (Cricket Academy and Sports Hostel). I Have also worked with Joe's Merchandising Service Pvt Ltd (Apparel sourcing company).

AGENDA / POLICIES:

- To work with the Kerala State Association towards improving the existing standard of Cricket.
- To conduct seminars for qualified Coaches on their role to motivate youngsters.
- To provide facilities in every District for Practice and also for matches.
- To facilitate workshops for Umpires and Curators towards improving their standards and needs.
- To organise workshops in order to create awareness on the consequences of using DRUGS.
- To initiate reforms in the area pertaining to the welfare of retired cricketers, especially for those who have played less than 25 matches, providing Pension and Medical Insurance Scheme for them and also extending the same support for widows.

I also affirm that I would extend all help to Kerala Cricket Association for the development of Cricket.

Candidate Name: Ms. Rema S

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Kerala Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have played cricket for Kerala from 1990 to 1999 in Sub-Junior, Junior and Senior categories and also represented Kerala University in Inter-University tournaments. Apart from that I represented Kerala in Sub-Junior and Junior National Championship. I worked in various multinational companies and also as Finance manager from 1999-2008. I was selected as Chairperson for Kerala Women's Cricket Junior categories in 2011-2013 and as Senior Selector in 2013 and 2015. I have experience as the Team manager for the Senior Women's Cricket Team in 2011 and as the Liason officer of Bihar for the Senior Women's T20 tournament which was held at Trivandrum in May 2022.

My Vision and Mission

1. I will work with highest standards of honesty and integrity for the development of cricket in the state of Kerala.
2. I would actively participate and contribute to all cricket development ventures of KCA.
3. Explore the possibility to identify talents of school level in rural and urban areas.
4. To negotiate and submit proposals to BCCI through ICA and KCA for the welfare and similar benefits for both current and former players.
5. I shall work to attain the aims and objectives of KCA

I thank you and look forward to your valuable support.

Candidate Name: Ms. Ranjit Dilip Khirid

Post: Male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Maharashtra Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I Ranjit Dilip Khirid Represented West Zone in Duleep Trophy and Deodhar Trophy, Represented Maharashtra Cricket Association in Ranji Trophy and List 'A' matches also represented Maharashtra Cricket association for Jr. Cricket Under 16/ U19/ U22 in BCCI tournaments.

I would like to present myself as yours representative in MCA Apex Council for tenure of 2022-25.

● **My Vision for MCA**

- * First & Foremost regain respect for senior and current cricketers in MCA.
- * Follow up with the ICA Management and BCCI for Pension Scheme for former cricketers who currently are not eligible for Pension (1 to 24 first class matches for MCA)
- * Put up a proposal for ladies cricketers pension who have played first class cricket.
- * Salary at par with other Associations for coaches, support staff as well as selection committee members.
- * Ensure that the cricketers across all age groups get ample matches to play year round.
- * Transparent selection process for MCA's current cricket teams for all age groups.
- * Ensure that the Apex council works towards engaging the cricketing talent in a year round coaching camp..
- * Development in ladies cricket with introduction of more tournaments and MPL as well as posts for Ex Ladies cricket players for Ladies cricket Development in Maharashtra.
- * Introduction of Gents and ladies MPL along with good sponsor.

I kindly request you all to support me for my vision of taking Maharashtra Cricket to next level.

Candidate Name: Ms. Kalpana Paropakari

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Maharashtra Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

To state my experience, I am a retired IRS officer having served as the assistant Commissioner for Central Excise & Customs in Pune. I have been a long standing member of Women's Cricket having represented India in the 1978 International World Cup held in India. I have also had the opportunity to represent India against New Zealand in a five match test series in the same year (1975). In all I have played 50 First Class matches.

Presently, I am the Selector, having also served as the Chairman of Maharashtra Cricket Association for women in the Senior and under 19 teams.

I would like to put forth the following agenda to implement on successful election:

1. Promote and publicize Cricket as a sport at school level.
2. Introduce an inter-district league tournament.
3. Introduce invitation based tournaments for under 15 - 19 - 23 categories along with senior teams.
4. Start coaching camps at all five divisions in the state of Maharashtra.
5. To sincerely follow up the arrangement of monthly pension payments to Retired Ex-Cricketers.
6. Introduce a family pension scheme.
7. Follow up and implement all such issues which are in the sincere interest of women's cricket.

I appeal to all voting members to give your valuable vote for my selection along with your suggestions.

Candidate Name: Ms. Sangita Katware

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of Mumbai Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

Key Agenda for ICA:

1. Development of Female Cricket at School Level as well as at Grassroots Level to develop aspiring female cricketers
2. Medical benefits to Male and Female Cricketers.
3. To increase representation of Women Cricketers across all cricket bodies
4. Pension for Women Cricketers played first class matches for Association
5. Robust Competition Structure and Infrastructure for development of Mumbai Women Cricketers.

Cricketing and Administrative Credentials:

- Born in Nagpur played various tournament for Vidarbha before Represented Mumbai in domestic
- and National level Tournament.
- Played 4 Tests and 19 one day international Matches for India.
- Represented India in World Cup 1993 and 1997
- Played for India in Centenary Triangular Series in New Zealand in Jan. 1995
- Represented as Coach and Manager of India 'C' team Women Challenger Trophy- 2007, as well as
- for Indian Railways.2005-06
- Member Indian Railway Selection Committee.2005-06,2006-07
- Member of 1st Indian Selection Committee (after merging with BCCI) for Women in 2006-07.
- Successfully completed Level-1 Coaching Course.

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

I have put my nomination for Female ICA Representative Nominee to Apex Body –Mumbai Cricket Association due to my passion towards cricket and with a clear vision to developed women cricket by providing robust training and competition opportunities right from grass root level and school level.

I feel privilege on being nominated for ICA representative and my objective while representing ICA is to strengthen infrastructure for women cricket development and provide access to world class facilities for women cricketers at Grass root and school level.

It will be a pleasure for me to Serve ICA as a Women Cricketer.

Candidate Name: Ms. Rachana Pimprikar

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of the Vidarbha Cricket Association

Education

- M.C.A.

Strength & Conditioning Qualification

- ASCA (S&C) Level-I

Strength & Conditioning Coaching Experience

- Strength and Conditioning Coach for Vidarbha Senior Women's Cricket Team for the One Day Domestic tournament (Season 2021).
- Strength and Conditioning Coach for Junior District Girls organized by Vidarbha Cricket Association (Cricket Summer Camp at Gondia).
- Trained the Athletes and the Non-Athletes at a Fitness Centre, The Grind, Pune.

Career Profile as a Professional Cricket Player

- Represented VWCA from 1999 to 2005.
- Represented Vidarbha Cricket Association (Sr. Women's Team) in Two Days / One Days / T-20 Tournaments organised by BCCI (2006-2018).
- Represented Nagpur University Women's Cricket Team (Feb 2006 & Dec 2006).

Personal Statement to ICA voters

- As a former cricketer who has seen both sides of the coin i.e., women's cricket pre-merger and post-merger with BCCI and having seen the efforts and plans of my association in promoting & developing women's cricket. My sole objective as an executive member of my association would be to further enhance the standard of cricket in my state as well as core development of women's cricket at the grassroot level.
- I would also like to work for the betterment of former players.
- I am determined to bring a positive change and take women's cricket forward.

Candidate Name: Ms. Rupali Naik

Post: Female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of the Vidarbha Cricket Association

Personal Statement to ICA Voters:

You all know I am running for the post of nominee to Apex body. I will carry forward the agenda of my predecessor. To press the demand for gratia for ex-players . Also to request the inclusion of players who have played even one match in the ICA membership.

I believe in working together in taking decisions. So your inputs are important. Please vote for me and also support me.

Played for Vidarbha from 1987 to 1995

Education Qualification: B.Com, LL.B, DBM, PGDIT.

Voting Start 10.AM 27th End 02.PM 29th Oct. 2022