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Dear Colleagues,

The pandemic has been tough on all of us, we have all had to make some hard decisions that have kept us from playing a full-fledged domestic cricket season in India. On behalf of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), we thank all our state associations, administrators, match officials, coaches, and athletes, for their patience, and understanding.

The restart date for BCCI Domestic Cricket Season 2021-22 has been reviewed with all stakeholders, as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic develops and we work together through this very challenging time.

The BCCI is working closely with the Government of India, state regulatory authorities, and other relevant stakeholders to ensure that our sport achieves a collaborative solution. With this, there is a combined objective for a complete BCCI Domestic Cricket Season 2021-22 to be played, enabling us to maintain the integrity of each competition.

The BCCI will proceed with the full season of domestic cricket starting with Under 19 tournaments (both categories) in September 2021.

Domestic Schedule - 2021-22				
S.No.	No. of Matches	Dates	Days	
1	Women's Under 19 (One-Day)	September 20th to October 18th	29	
2	Vinoo Mankad Trophy (Men U19 - One-Day)	September 20th to October 18th	29	
3	Men Challenger Trophy (U19)	October 26th to November 9th	15	
4	Women Challenger Trophy (U19)	October 25th to November 6th	13	
5	Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy	October 27th to November 22nd	27	
6	Senior Women's One Day	October 20th to November 20th	32	
7	Men State A One Day	November 9th to December 10th	31	
8	Vijay Hazare Trophy (Men One-Day)	December 1st to December 29th	29	
9	Senior Women's Challenger Trophy	November 26th to December 8th	13	
10	Ranji Trophy	January 5th to March 20th	75	
11	Cooch Behar Trophy (Men U19)	November 21st to February 2nd	74	
12	Col. CK Nayudu Trophy (Men 4-day, U25)	January 6th to April 2nd	87	
13	Senior Women's T20	February 20th to March 23rd	32	
14	Vijay Merchant Trophy (Men U16)	November-December		

Each squad can have a maximum of 30 members comprising of a minimum of 20 players. Accordingly, the number of support staff is capped at a total of 10. Each team is encouraged to have

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a team physician to manage COVID related issues. The team physician is separate from the team physiotherapist and is inclusive of the 10 support staff.

Also, the last date for the Inter-state transfer and registration of Guest players will be 15 days prior to the start of the specific tournament.

Further details pertaining to the tournaments in terms of Groupings and Qualification for Knockouts are as under –

Tournament	Grouping Format	# of Matches per team	KO Qualifications	
Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy Ranji Trophy	5 Elite Groups X 6 teams each and 1 Plate Group X 8	5 matches per team across all groups	The winner of the 5 Elite groups will make it directly to the QFs. The 2 nd placed teams from each Elite group and the winner of the plate group will play 3 Prequarter finals and the 3 winners will complete the QF line up.	
Vijay Hazare Trophy (Men One-Day) Men State A One Day	teams	Elite Groups – 5 matches per team		
Well State A One Day	5 Elite Groups X 6 teams each and 1 Plate	Plate Group – 6 matches per team		
Col. CK Nayudu Trophy (Men 4-day,	Group X 7 teams	Elite Groups – 5 matches per team		
U25)		Plate Group – 6 matches per team		
Cooch Behar Trophy (Men U19) Vinoo Mankad Trophy (Men U19 - One-Day)		5 matches per team across all groups		
Senior Women's One Day	5 Elite Groups X 6 teams each and 1 Plate Group X 6 teams	Elite Groups – 5 matches per team		
Senior Women's T20		Plate Group – 6 matches per team		
Women's Under 19 (One-Day)		5 matches per team across all groups		

We will be sharing more details in relation to the BCCI Domestic Cricket Season 2021-22 shortly.

I look forward to your cooperation in organising a successful domestic season.

Warm Regards,

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