

**BEFORE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE L. NAGESWARA RAO
FORMER JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
OMBUDSMAN, BIHAR CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No.15 of 2025

Aditya Verma **...Complainant**

Versus

Bihar Cricket Association **...Respondent**

With

BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No.33 of 2025

Rupesh Kumar Jha & Anr. **...Complainant**

Versus

Bihar Cricket Association & Ors. **...Respondent**

With

BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No.39 of 2025

Sashi Sekhar & Anr. **.... Complainant**

With

Bihar Cricket Association & Ors. **...Respondent**

With

BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No.40 of 2025

Yashashwi Rishav **.... Complainant**

Versus

Bihar Cricket Association **...Respondent**

And

BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No.41 of 2025

Alok Kumar **.... Complainant**

Versus

Bihar Cricket Association & Ors. **...Respondent**

Appearance:

On Behalf of Complainant:

In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 15 of 2025

1. Mr. Abhinav Srivastava, Senior Advocate
2. Mr. Kartik Pandey, Advocate

In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 33 of 2025

1. Mr. Pratik Kumar, Advocate

In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 39 of 2025

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In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 40 of 2025

1. Mr. Yashaswi Rishav, Complainant in person

In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 41 of 2025

1. Mr. Alok Kumar, Advocate

On behalf of Respondent:

In BCA/Ombudsman/Complaint No. 15, 33, 39, 40 & 41 of 2025

1. Mr. Raju Giri, Senior Advocate
2. Mr. Navjot Yesu, Advocate


ORDER dated 07.10.2025

1. The Learned Counsel appearing for the Complainants submitted that the selection committees have been constituted in violation of Rule 28 of the 2025 Rules. Mr. Srivastava, Learned Senior Counsel argued that the committee for selecting the Men's team consists of three (3) members instead of five (5) members as provided by the Rules. He argued further that a Learned Single Judge of the Patna High Court by a judgment dated 5.8.2024 made adverse remarks against the present selection committee members who were also in the selection committee in 2024. In spite of the comments of the Learned Single Judge in the said judgment, the same persons have been asked to conduct selections this year also. It was submitted

by Mr. Yashaswi Rishav appearing in-person in complaint no. 40 that serious irregularities are being committed by the selection committee in not considering meritorious cricketers for selection. Mr. Pratik Kumar, learned counsel appearing in complaint nos. 33 and 39 stated that he himself is a cricketer and he has been threatened with dire consequences if he participates in the selections. He further contended that players who are not residents of Bihar are going to be selected to represent Bihar in Ranji Trophy for the upcoming season. Mr. Alok Kumar, learned counsel appearing in complaint no. 41 argued that the selection of coaches is contrary to the 2025 Rules.

2. Bihar Cricket Association is directed to file a reply in Complaint Nos. 15, 33, 39, 40 & 41 of 2025.
3. Mr. Raju Giri, Learned Senior Counsel appearing for BCA submitted that the selection of Mens' Senior Cricket team is scheduled to start on Friday the 10th of October 2025. The Tribunal informed the Learned Counsel to instruct BCA to postpone the said selections to 11th October 2025 i.e. Saturday morning as these complaints are scheduled to be heard on 9th October.
4. The Complaint Nos. 15, 33, 39, 40 & 41 shall be heard on 9th October 2025 at 6 pm through virtual conference.
5. The Secretary, BCA is directed to upload a copy of this order on the website of BCA.

Date: 07.10.2025


Justice. L. Nageswara Rao
Former Judge, Supreme Court of India
Ombudsman
Bihar Cricket Association