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Dear Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayanan,

Thank you for your email received by me through the Secretary BCCI. The response is as under:

1. Regarding Point No.1 – The BCCI office bearers are duty bound to comply with the order dated 18.7.2016 and the order dated 21.10.2016. It has been the consistent endeavour of the BCCI office bearers to ensure implementation of the recommendations of the Committee. This aspect has already been explained before the Hon'ble Supreme Court pursuant to which it has directed the President and Secretary BCCI to file an appropriate affidavit before the Committee within two weeks of the order dated 21.10.2016 i.e. by 5.11.2016. The President and Secretary BCCI will file this affidavit within the time mandated by the Hon'ble Court.

However, for the benefit of the Committee it may be noted that the President and the Secretary BCCI had called a Special General Body meeting of the BCCI on 30.09.2016 and 1.10.2016 for adoption of the recommendations of the Committee and adoption of the Memorandum and Articles as proposed by the Committee. However, the requisite  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority mandated under the Tamil Nadu Societies Act, 1975 of members present and voting could not be achieved for adoption of the Memorandum and Articles in totality as proposed by the Committee despite the Secretary BCCI proposing the motion and the President BCCI seconding the motion. It may be noted that the BCCI, the President and Secretary BCCI do not have any vote or decision making power in such meetings.

The BCCI office bearers have also assured the Hon'ble Supreme Court that they would take necessary steps in the meanwhile in order to establish their bona-fides.

The President and Secretary BCCI assure the Committee that they would take all necessary steps in accordance with law to ensure compliance of the directions set out in paragraph 20 of the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. It is reiterated that the President and Secretary BCCI have the highest respect and regard for the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

2. Regarding Point No.2 – (a) The present 10 year rights period will come to an end with the 2017 edition of the IPL. The negotiation period of the new IPL rights (season 2018) commenced on 1.6.2016 i.e. after the final match of the 2016 IPL under clause 27 of the IPL MRLA dated 25.6.2010 and (b) the next 10 year rights period commences from April / May 2018.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anurag', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Anurag Singh Thakur