

Record notes of the meeting of the Apex Council of Tripura Cricket Association held on 15th October, 2025 (Wednesday) at 12.30 pm at the head office, TCA.

Shri Upananda Debbarma (acting President), Hon. Vice- President of Tripura Cricket Association presided over the meeting.

Name of other members present in the meeting as follows:-

1. Shri Subrata Dey, Hon. Secretary, TCA
2. Shri Basudeb Chakraborty, Hon. Treasurer, TCA.
3. Shri Saumitra Gope, Councilor, TCA
4. Shri Sani Saha, Invitee Member

Shri Jayanta Dey Hon. Joint Secretary and Shri Kavyadeep Joshi, IA & AS, Senior Deputy Accountant General (AMG – I & Administration) both were informed about the meeting but remained absent without prior intimation.

In absence of the President, the Vice-President delivered as acting President and chaired the meeting.

The said meeting was called to order after ascertaining that the requisite quorum turned-up.

With the permission of all the members present, the notice convening the meeting having already circulated was taken on record.

The Chairman of the meeting congratulated all the members present and address the house.

Agenda – 1

Confirmation of the minutes of last Apex Council meeting held on 20/9/2025

As per the first item (I) of the Agenda, the Chairman proposed before the house for confirmation of the minutes of the last Apex Council meeting held on 20/09/2025.

The said minutes was confirmed unanimously by the present members.

Agenda – 2

Proposal for engagement of Trainer and Physio under TCA on Contract basis.

Presently TCA has 08 Trainers and 05 Physiotherapists.

All the Trainers are posted in different sub-divisions and Physiotherapists are being assigned in domestic matches (as & when required) as well as with different national teams.

However, we need more Trainers and Physiotherapists for the smooth running of cricket under the scope of Employees Revision of pay and services Rules, 2020, there is a vacancy in the post of 4 (four) Trainers and 03 (three) Physiotherapists.

After a detailed discussion it was resolved that the Tournament Section would place a report regarding the exact period of requirement of additional Trainers and Physio before commencement of the next cricket season and on basis of that report the council would take further policy decision.

Upananda Debbarma

Agenda – 3

Proposal to organise an Umpire course with examination

As per existing practice, BCCI makes its panel of Umpires by taking those who cleared the examination conducted by BCCI for this purpose. TCA follows the similar practice. Umpire from Tripura empanelled by the BCCI is taken for matches. TCA also conducts its own examination and declares its own panel of Umpires by making Grade A, Grade B and Grade C for Tripura Cricket Association. The matches are conducted by appointing umpires from Tripura Cricket Association panel of umpires and umpires from BCCI panel hailing to Tripura. TCA conduct near about 1500 matches during the year and managing all the matches with the present strength of panel of umpires is difficult. So sometimes some of the umpires who do not come under any Grade, are appointed in some matches on exigency situation. To maintain the standard and smooth conduct of these matches, it has become necessary to increase the pool of certificate umpires.

Therefore, it is proposed to conduct an Umpires course and examination. This initiative will help to meet the present shortage of certified umpires.

It was resolved to take necessary steps to organize Upgradation Course for Umpires and Scorers and Seminar for New Umpires and Scorers to be followed by examination.

Agenda – 4

To finalize the date and venue to distribute 100 no's of Kit bag.

RESOLVED THAT, the said event will be organized as soon as possible once accorded consent of exact date by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tripura as Chief Guest of the program.

Agenda – 5

Plan for introducing CC/ PC in Elite and Plate group for the cricket season 2026-2027.

As there are 17 team in total participated in Sadar U-13 & U-15 each during 2024-25 season. The quality of cricket all the teams played does not match each other. There are cases where teams all out for a very low score while the other team wins with very few over to spare.

Thus, it is high time where there will be necessity of creating Elite and Plate Group based on the point tables of the last season.

Top 4 team from each group may play in Elite Group while the remaining team will play in plate Group. It makes a total of 8 teams each in Sadar U-13 & U- 15 in Elite Group while 9 teams will compete in Plate Group.

This will make one Champions & one runners up each in Elite & Plate Group. The champion of the Plate group will qualify for the Elite for the season while the bottom team of the Elite group will demote to play in the Plate group of the next season.

After a detailed discussion, it was resolved to introduce the said proposal on & from the cricket season 2027-2028 depending on the points table of 2026-2027.

Upam K. Sharma

Agenda – 6

Proposal for under 15 Sadar team to participate in state meet in four teams for the Cricket season 2025-2026

Sadar U-15 have high scoring and wicket taking players. But till last season in State Meet U-15 Sadar have two teams where a maximum of 30 players can be selected. But it is observed that, there are players who perform but misses out due to that limited number of 30 players. Thus, introduction of two more teams in Sadar U-15 team will provide much more bench strength for the U-16 National team.

It was resolved that the existing format of the Under-15 State Meet Tournaments shall continue without any increase in the number of Sadar teams.

The Committee further discussed the need to provide additional match exposure to promising Under-15 players after the completion of the State Meet to have better preparation for Vijay Merchant Trophy. In order to facilitate better assessment of players from the 2025–26 season onwards, upon the completion of the Under-15 State Meet Tournament, the Junior Selection Committee (Men's) shall identify and select 48 players purely on the basis of their performances during the tournament.

These 48 selected players shall then be divided into four balanced teams of 12 players each, and a Round Robin League shall be organized among the four teams. This competition shall serve as an extended platform for evaluating the performance of the shortlisted players.

Agenda – 7

Miscellaneous.

There being no other further business and/or no content to discuss.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chair to the participants.



(Upananda Debbarma)

Hon. Vice-President

(acting President) & Chairman

of the Apex Council Meeting on 15-10-2025