DRAFT RULES FOR DR. H. D. KANGA CRICKET LEAGUE 2023-2024

1. Name of the Tournament

The tournament shall be called Dr. H. D. Kanga Cricket League and shall be controlled, managed and conducted by Mumbai Cricket Association (M. C. A.) through a Committee appointed by the Apex Council of Mumbai Cricket Association.

2. Club/Gymkhana

In these rules the term Club/Gymkhana shall include an Association affiliated to the Mumbai Cricket Association.

- 3. **Divisions** Clubs/Gymkhanas participating in each division.
- i). Dr. H. D. Kanga Cricket League shall consist of not more than 114 Clubs/Gymkhanas in all, which shall be divided into 8 divisions viz. A to H Divisions and each division shall consist of 14 Clubs/Gymkhanas except H Division which consists of 16 Clubs/Gymkhanas
- ii). For Relegation & Promotion please refer point no 10b.

4. Participation in League

Unless otherwise resolved by the Association, Dr. H. D. Kanga Cricket League and Dr H D Kanga Knockout Cricket Tournament shall be open only to those affiliated/associated Clubs which are classified as maidan clubs with the Association.

5. Entry Form

a. Any Club/Gymkhana desirous of participating in Dr. H. D. Kanga Cricket League shall fill the entry form. The entry forms will be made available and it shall be the sole responsibility of the Clubs/ Gymkhanas to ensure that the same reaches the office of Mumbai Cricket Association within the stipulated time period. Apex Council under-takes no responsibility for sending intimation to each Member Club/Gymkhana separately, but a press note to this effect may be issued on Mumbai Cricket Association's website.

b. Acceptance of entry form does not automatically make the Club/Gymkhana eligible to play in the League. The Apex Council of the Mumbai Cricket Association reserves the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason before the start of the League.

6. Entry in Tournament

Each Club/Gymkhana will send only one entry.

7. Eligibility

- a. Every team will include only registered players with the MCA to play for their club in the tournament.
- b. It will be duty of the player to ensure that he is registered with MCA when playing for the club and it will be duty of the secretary of club to ensure that he is registered for the club for which he is playing. Any club found to violating this rule will face following action.

- i. The team will cease to participate in the tournament and the points scored by all teams of that division will be treated as null and void.
- ii. The team will be demoted to lower division.
- iii. The player will face disciplinary action as per the rules regarding registration of players.
- c. Every player playing for a Club/Gymkhana in the League shall be bonafide resident of Brihan Mumbai, Thane District and Palghar District. Honorary Secretary of the Club/Gymkhana shall see that the registration card of the players are carried by him during matches, if required for verification.

8. Availability of grounds for Association

- a. Clubs/Gymkhanas participating in the League shall provide their grounds and amenities pertaining to such as pitch prepared, shed/pavilion/ tent, tables, chairs, score- boards etc. belonging to them for the matches.
- b. Clubs/Gymkhanas are also requested to prepare two pitches on the plot so as to help the umpires to play the match on second pitch, in case the play is not possible on the pitch already prepared.
- c. In case of an adverse report from Umpires about the ground and the amenities provided, the Clubs playing the match will deposit the ground hire charges in the office of M. C. A. and the defaulting Club will be fined as per charges in Rule 9(a) Ground Charges.

9. Payments

a. Ground Charges (per day to be shared by both the teams)

Sr No	Type of Ground Structure	Amount
1	Grounds with tents (minimum 30 chairs, 4 tables, Proper scoreboard)	Rs 4400/-
2	Ground with semi permanent structure(With pavilion, electricity and drinking water facility)	Rs 5000/-
3	Gymkhanas like Hindu, Islam, Parsee, Police, MIG etc. (With pavilion and catering facility)	Rs 5600/- plus 18 % GST

b. If a match is abandoned before starting time of the match i.e. (10.15 am on Sunday/ Bank holiday) without a ball being bowled, with both the teams on ground, each Club/Gymkhana shall pay Rs. 200/- as ground charges for preparation of the pitch and Rs. 200/- for the erection of the tent, if the tent is not erected only ground charges shall be paid.

10.a - Award of Points

Points shall be awarded as per the table mentioned below:

Result	Points
Outright win	5
First Innings win but no outright result	3
Loss on First Innings	0
Tie on 1st Innings without outright result	1
Tie on both Innings	2
Outright loss	-1
First Innings result not obtained with or without weather interference	1
Innings win / Win by 10 wickets	1 Bonus Pt

b. If a match is abandoned after starting time of the match i.e. (10.15 am on Sunday/ Bank holiday) without a ball being bowled, with both the teams on ground, each Club/Gymkhana shall pay ground charges as mentioned in 9(a). The charges set out in Rule 9(a) shall be paid immediately after the conclusion or abandonment of the match. Complaints or grievances regarding Grounds should be addressed to Honorary Secretary of Mumbai Cricket Association.

c. The Umpires shall be appointed by the Umpires Committee and Scorers will be appointed by Scorer & Statistical Committee of the Mumbai Cricket Association and they shall be paid following honorarium based on their grades by the Association

Umpire Honorarium

Scorer Honorarium

Grade	Particulars	Remuneration
A	BCCI Umpires	Rs 2800/-
В	MCA Qualified Umpires with more than 15 years experience	Rs 2650/-
С	MCA Qualified Umpires with less than 15 years experience	Rs 2300/-
D	MCA Unqualified Umpires	Rs 2000/-
	All Observers	Rs 2500/-

Grade	Particulars	Remuneration
Α	BCCI qualified Scorers	2300
В	MCA Qualified Scorer (have completed 10 years or more after passing MCA Exam)	2100
С	MCA Qualified Scorer (have not completed 10 years after passing MCA Exam)	1800
D	Unqualified Scorers	1500

10 b. Promotion and Relegation: Three Clubs/Gymkhanas at the top of the (B-Div), (C-Div), (D-Div), (E-Div), (F-Div), (G-Div) and (H-Div) divisions shall be promoted in each succeeding year to divisions (A-Div), (B-Div), (C-Div), (D-Div), (E-Div), (E-Div

Please note that this year 6 teams from (H Div) will be relegated to Dr H D Kanga Knockout Cricket Tournament and 4 Teams from Dr H D Kanga Knockout 2024 will qualify for Dr H D Kanga League 2024-25

- c. For the purpose of promotion/relegation if two or more Clubs/Gymkhanas in a particular division secure equal number of points, their relative positions in the table of points shall be determined by the quotient. The quotient of a Club/Gymkhana shall be obtained by dividing the total number of runs scored by the total number of wickets lost. The quotient against a Club/Gymkhana shall be obtained by dividing the total number of runs scored against by the total number of wickets taken. The former shall be divided by the later and the Club/Gymkhana having a higher quotient shall be placed above the Club/ Gymkhana having a lower quotient. For the purpose of computing quotient a side declaring its innings closed shall be deemed to have lost the number of wickets that have actually fallen. In case, a team has played with less than 11 players, it shall be deemed to have lost all the 10 wickets when its innings was terminated.
- d. If in any year, the maximum number of matches played are less than five, the Rule 11(b) for the promotion and relegation of Clubs / Gymkhanas will be suspended that year. For this only the cancellation of the matches by Kanga & Tournament Committee on the eve of the programme and subsequently on website of Association regarding matches abandoned or Washout (not played).
- e. If Club/Gymkhana which was stopped participating in the League wishes to enter again, it shall be placed in the lowest division of the League irrespective of the division in which that Club/Gymkhana was playing at the time when it stopped participating, provided however, that Club/Gymkhana at that time was not relegated from the (G-Div) having finished low in the table of points in which case the Club/Gymkhana will have to play in the knockout rounds to qualify again to be placed in the last division of the League proper.
- f. In case of the tie for the Championship in any division because of securing equal number of points the Championship shall be determined by quotient to be worked out as stated in Rule 11(c) above. If quotient obtained are also equal then the position will be decided by the spin of coin.

11. Score Sheets

- a. Mumbai Cricket Association's official scorer will submit the completed scoresheet to MCA Office immediately on completion of the match and should send brief scorers to MCA Official immediately after completion on match.
- b. Umpires will sign on the completed score sheet alongwith number of balls used in the match and scores written in figures and words which is filled in by the official scorer appointed by Mumbai Cricket Association.

12. Withdrawal

- a. Any Club/Gymkhana after having sent an entry in the League and having been selected to participate in the League desires to withdraw from the League shall give an intimation in writing to Kanga & Tournament Committee atleast 15 clear days prior to the commencement of the League.
- b. No withdrawal may be permitted thereafter unless the Kanga & Tournament Committee is convinced of such withdrawal.
- c. If the Club/Gymkhana still desires to withdraw within 15 days of the start of the League, then they must intimate to the Kanga & Tournament Committee accordingly along with a penalty of Rs.5000/- which shall be deposited with the Association.

- d. In addition the Club/Gymkhana withdrawing shall pay half the share of the ground charges and Umpire's charges for the match, if applicable, at the time of withdrawal.
- e. Failure to pay the fine within 4 days of the above default shall result in the Club/Gymkhana being removed from all the tournaments of the Association for the season and further one year in the same division.
- f. However the Club/Gymkhana withdrawing as such wishes to re-enter next year then they shall be allowed to re-enter in the League as stipulated in Rule 10(e) above.

13. Walkover/Conceding the Match

- a. Club/Gymkhana giving a walkover in a match/conceding a match of the League/knockout shall be disqualified from further participation in the League and points already scored by the Club/Gymkhana against the team being disqualified shall stand and the teams who are yet to play against the disqualified team will get 3 points like the team leading on the first innings and both the innings not completed as mentioned in 'award of points'.
- b. Such Club/Gymkhana who has been disqualified shall be debarred from participating in the League for next three years. If the Club/Gymkhana desires to participate again in League shall start their participation from knockout only after the expiry of the period of being debarred.
- c. The Captain of such Club/Gymkhana shall be debarred for one year from participating in the League.

14. Interpretation of Rules

The interpretation of these Rules, construction and effects shall rest entirely with Kanga & Tournament Committee and Apex Council whose decisions on all matters whether covered or not by the Rules, shall be final and binding on all participating Clubs/Gymkhanas. The tournament will be played as per the Dr H D Kanga Cricket League rules and in case any ambiguity, the model rules (including rules of registration of players) of MCA existing as on the day of first match will be applicable. The rules of the tournament will not be changed once the first match of the tournament is played. No change in the rules regarding registration of players/model rules will be applicable during the tournament after the first match of the tournament is played.

15. Protest

- a. A protest must be lodged within 48 hours after the completion of the match at the office of the Mumbai Cricket Association and must be accompanied by protest fee of Rs. 2000/- including GST which shall be refunded if the protest is upheld. Such protest shall be dealt with at the earliest by Kanga & Tournament Committee and Apex Council.
- b. Kanga & Tournament Committee, Disciplinary & Protest Committee and Apex Council shall be the sole judge of all the protests and disputes in the tournament. The committee is empowered to investigate any complaint either on its own for a protest received from the participating Club/Gymkhana.
- c. Kanga & Tournament Committee shall take appropriate action including levy such penalty as it may deem fit on the participating Club/Gymkhana if
- i. They do not make the payments for ground and umpires and
- ii. They resort to unfair play and either gain or give undue advantage to another Club/Gymkhana participating in the League.

d. Kanga & Tournament Committee shall also be entitled at its discretion to vary, alter or cancel the points gained by the Club/Gymkhana found guilty or to relegate either or both the Clubs/Gymkhanas to a division lower than its/their standing and if either Club/Gymkhana is already facing relegation before the action is taken to relegate it to a division further lower than in which it would have played after the relegation. Kanga & Tournament Committee shall follow the Rules of natural justice.

16. Power to Amend Rules

Kanga & Tournament Committee and Apex Council shall be entitled to add, alter, cancel or otherwise amend the rules as and when it thinks fit, subject to the ratification by the Apex Council of Mumbai Cricket Association. Rules framed by Apex Council of Mumbai Cricket Association for Dr. H. D. Kanga Cricket League are final and binding to all the Teams/Participants.

17. Kanga League Format

In A to H Division each division will be divided into two Group 1 & Group 2 on random draw basis in meeting along with participating clubs. Each team in Group 1 will play each team in Group 2 in A to G Division thus each team playing 7 league matches. In H Division each team in Group 1 & Group 2 will play all teams from same group thus playing 7 League matches. Relegation and promotion will be based on Points and quotients of all 14 teams from A to G division and Points and quotients of all 16 teams of H Division. Matches which are washed out will be postponed to reserve Sunday. Four Sundays will be kept reserved for Completing 5 matches of each division from A to H in case of washout matches. Even with 4 reserve Sunday If minimum 5 matches did not take place then Dr H D Kanga League Tournament will be cancelled. From Kanga League 2024-25 onwards Group 1 & Group 2 in each division will be given automatically based on Even and Odd number based on their Points position and Quotients. Group 1 will consists of all Even number and Group 2 will consists of all odd number.

18. **Special Instructions**

Players, Umpires and Scorers are requested to check Association's website for announcement, if any, regarding cancellation of matches. Information will be available on previous day at 6.00 pm on association's website. In case of extreme weather conditions final decision will be taken at 9.00 pm if required.

PLAYING CONDITIONS

Playing condition, Code of Conduct and Duties of Observer for Dr H D Kanga League will be updated on Association's website shortly.