## Hon'ble Mr. Justice Shailesh Kumar Sinha (Former Judge, High Court, Patna) The Ombudsman, Bihar Cricket Association Bihar, Patna

# Complaint No. BCA/OMB/04 of 2024

Praveen Kumar, aged about 52 years, Son of Late Virendra Mohan Jha, Resident of: Mohalla-Gandhi Nagar, Katarhiya, City News, Milky, Post – Lakshmi Nagar, Police Station – Sadar, District – Darbhanga. Presently posted as Honorary Secretary, Darbhanga District Cricket Association

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.....PETITIONER

#### **VERSUS**

Shri Amit Kumar, Son of Fhulena Singh, Resident of: Ward No. 04, Bhairwar, Begusarai, Bihar – 851129, claiming himself to be the Honorary Secretary of Bihar Cricket Association.

Email ID: secretary.biharca@gmail.com

.....RESPONDENT

### **ORDER**

#### Sl. No. Date

O3 25.09.2024 Heard learned counsel for the complainant as also learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent, who files a counter affidavit along with *Vakalatnama*.

The complainant prays for quashing the notice dated 09.09.2024 issued by the respondent for convening Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the Bihar Cricket Association on 30.09.2024 on the ground that the respondent has been removed from the post of Honorary Secretary by the Committee of Management in its meeting dated 30.12.2022,

the decision of which was affirmed by the then Ombudsman Shri Nawal Kishore Singh, vide order dated 30.05.2023 passed in BCA/Ombudsman/02 of 2023. The alternative prayer is that the meeting of the AGM slated for 30.09.2024 should be conducted under the supervision of the Ombudsman or any person authorized by him.

The learned counsel for the respondent submits that both the reliefs prayed for by the complainant cannot be allowed for the reason that the respondent who was the Secretary could not have been removed by the Committee of Management under the rules of the BCA. It is further submitted on behalf of the respondent that the Annual General Body Meeting cannot be held under the supervision of the Ombudsman or any person authorized by him since the prayer is foreign to the Rules and Regulations of the BCA. This apart, it is further submitted that the order dated 30.05.2023 passed by the then Ombudsman Shri Nawal Kishore Singh was non est in the eye of law for the reason that he was no longer the Ombudsman as on 30.05.2023 as his appointment made on 02.01.2023 by the Committee of Management was withdrawn on 04.02.2023.

Under the Rules and Regulations of the Bihar Cricket Association, the power and jurisdiction of the Ombudsman is to consider and decide the complaints against the office-bearers or any other complaint as mentioned in rule 45 of the aforesaid Rules read with the order dated 05.08.2024 in CWJC No. 13405 of 2021 passed by the Hon'ble High Court, Patna. As such, the alternative prayer cannot be allowed.

In the result, in the above facts and circumstances of the case, this complaint has no merit. It is, accordingly, dismissed.

(Justice Shailesh Kumar Sinha)
Ombudsman,
Bihar Cricket Association,
Patna.