

**Under the Pakistan Cricket Board's Anti-Doping Rules, 2012**

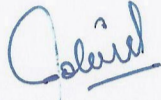
**IN THE MATTER OF RAZA HASAN, CRICKETER**

1. Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) is the National Cricket Federation of Pakistan and under SRO No. 43(KE)/2014 is the governing body of Pakistan Cricket. PCB is a full member of and is recognized by the International Cricket Council (ICC) as the entity governing the sport of cricket in Pakistan.
2. Raza Hasan (The Cricketer), is a professional cricket player and has represented Pakistan at the International level and at the domestic level.
3. Under Article 5.1 of The Pakistan Cricket Board's Anti-Doping Rules, 2012 (The Rules), on 07 January 2015 an in-competition dope testing was conducted and sample numbered 3487396 was provided by the Cricketer to an Independent Agency (Anti-Doping agency of Pakistan.) during the Pentangular Cup held at Karachi in January 2015. The urine sample was collected during the match played between Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Fighters Cricket Team and Punjab Badshahs Cricket Team.
4. The sample was sent and analyzed by the WADA-accredited laboratory in National Dope Testing Laboratory, India. On 18 February 2015, Anti-doping Organization of Pakistan issued an analytic report that sample number 3847396 had tested positive for Benzoyllecgonine (metabolite of Cocaine) and thus constituted an Adverse Analytical Finding under the Rules.
5. Thereafter, under Article 7.2.1 PCB appointed a Review Board to conduct a review of the entire matter. The review conducted did not reveal an applicable TUE or departure from the International Standard for Testing or the International Standard for Laboratories that resulted in the Adverse Analytical Finding.
6. Furthermore, in accordance with Article 7.6.1, as the Prohibited Substance detected in the cricketer's sample was not a Specified Substance, PCB Provisionally Suspended the cricketer w.e.f.24 March 2015, pending the Anti-Doping Tribunal's determination of whether he has committed an anti-doping rule violation. It is pertinent to clarify that during this Provisional Suspension, the cricketer was not allowed to play, coach or otherwise participate or be involved in any capacity in any Match or any other function, event or activity that is authorized, organized, sanctioned, recognized or supported in any way by PCB or by any body that is a member of, or affiliated to, or licensed by PCB. Without prejudice to the generality of the

foregoing, the cricketer was not to be given accreditation for, or otherwise granted access to, any Match or any other function, event or activity to which access is controlled by PCB or by any body that is a member of, or affiliated to, or licensed by PCB, and any accreditation previously issued shall ipso facto withdrawn.

7. Subsequently, in accordance with Article 7.2.3, PCB's Anti-Doping Manager issued a Notice of Charge dated 24 March 2015 to Raza Hassan, which was duly received by him in person on the same day. A copy of the Notice of Charge is attached.
8. In the Notice of Charge, the Cricketer was unequivocally informed that he has seven (07) days to advise PCB with regard to analysis of the B Sample under Article 7.2.3.3(b). He was also warned about the consequences of nonresponse shall be deemed to be a waiver on his part with regard to analysis of B Sample and to have accepted the accuracy of the Adverse Analytical finding in respect of A Sample.
9. Further the Notice of Charge also highlighted for the Cricketer that under Article 7.7.1, he has fourteen (14) days to submit a Written Request for a hearing before Anti-Doping Tribunal under the Notice of Charge and in case of his failure to respond, the consequences were also clearly mentioned in the Notice of Charge.
10. That the Cricketer failed to submit any Written Request within the specified time but later on 09 April 2015 an email was received by PCB which was clearly time barred. Under the Rules PCB has no power or authority to condone any delay.
11. That under Article 7.7.2, if the Cricketer fails to file a Written request by the deadline specified in Article 7.7.1 then no hearing before the Anti-Doping Tribunal is required and it is incumbent upon PCB to issue a public decision confirming the Commission of the Anti-Doping Rule violation as mentioned in the Notice of Charge and the imposition of Consequences as specified in Notice of Charge.
12. Therefore, due to the *supra* events under the Rules the following consequences are hereby imposed upon the cricketer as he has tested positive for Benzoylcgonine (metabolite of Cocaine);
  - a. A first Doping Offence has occurred under Article 2.1 of the Rules. The Doping Offence involved the use of a Prohibited Substance found in the Prohibited list set out in Appendix 2 of the Rules;
  - b. Under Article 9 read with 10.1, the individual results obtained by the Cricketer's individual performance in the Match (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Fighters Cricket Team and Punjab Badshahs Cricket Team) is disqualified. As a consequence, individual medals or other prizes awarded and any ranking points achieved are forfeited;

- c. Under Article 10.1, in addition to (b) above, all individual results and performance statistics obtained by the Cricketer in the other matches that he participated in the Pentangular Cup 2015 are disqualified, with all resulting consequences, including forfeiture of any individual medals, individual ranking points, individual prizes obtained and the non-inclusion of his performance statistics in those matches towards any official individual averages or records;
- d. Under Article 10.2 of the Rules, the Cricketer Raza Hassan is ineligible from participating in the sport of cricket for a period of 2 years starting from the date of provisional suspension, i.e.24 March 2015.



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**Dated: 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015**