

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (L)NO. 22903 OF 2024

Kavin Kartik
& Others

.. Petitioners.

Versus

Board of Control for Cricket
in India

.. Respondent

Adv. Mr. Kunal Cheema with Mr. Datta Mane, for the Petitioners.

Adv. Mr. Ranjit Shetty with Mr. Tejas Gokhale i/b. Argus Partner, for Respondent.

**CORAM: B. P. COLABAWALLA &
FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, JJ.
DATE: AUGUST 26, 2024**

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1. Mentioned. Taken out of turn.

2. The above Writ Petition is filed seeking to quash and set aside the decision of the Respondent (BCCI) to exclude PIO/OCI card holders from being eligible to participate in the tournaments organized by the BCCI. This decision has been taken in a meeting held by BCCI on 18th December, 2023 and communicated to the Secretaries of All Associations [affiliated to BCCI] vide its letter dated 30th April, 2024. As a consequence of this prayer, the Petitioners also seek a Writ of Mandamus to BCCI to permit PIO/OCI card

holders to continue to participate in Cricket Tourments held under their aegis at the District/State/National level.

3. The learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the BCCI submits that he has just been served with the above Writ Petition and sought two weeks time to file an Affidavit in Reply to the above Writ Petition.

4. Acceding to his request, we direct that the Affidavit in Reply, if any, shall be filed on or before 9th September, 2024 and a copy of the same shall be served on the Advocates for the Petitioner. In the event the Petitioners want to file any Affidavit in Rejoinder, they may do so on or before 18th September, 2024 and serve a copy of the same on the Advocate for the Respondent.

5. Place the above matter now on 23rd September, 2024.

6. This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary/ Personal Assistant of this Court. All concerned will act on production by fax or email of a digitally signed copy of this order.

[FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, J.]

[B. P. COLABAWALLA, J.]