

**Case No. 1(OMB)/2026**

**Mr. Prabhat Jhawar ..... Complainant**

Re: Proceedings regarding issues of Eden Gardens Ticket allocation to National Cricket Club (NCC) by the Cricket Association of Bengal.

**Present:**

**For Complainant**

Mr. Dipak Ranjan Mukherjee, Advocate

Mr. Prabhat Jhawar.

**For NCC**

Mr. Amitesh Banerjee, Senior Advocate.

Mr. Debanshu Dinda, Advocate

**For CAB**

Mr. Samrat Sen, Senior Advocate

**Order No. 3 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2026**

The complainant has filed the above complaint praying for abolition / abrogation of the legacy ticket allocations historically extended to NCC which is akin to institutional ticket quotas. The complainant has also prayed for forwarding the said complaint to CEO, CAB for placing the detailed report before the Ombudsman covering the following points:-

- (a) Historical arrangements with NCC;
- (b) Legal basis of any continuing entitlements to NCC.

An interim order has also prayed for, in the said Application.

It is brought to the notice of the undersigned by Mr. Banerjee, Learned Senior Counsel appearing for NCC and Mr. Sen, Learned Senior Counsel appearing for CAB that such a complaint is required to be referred to the CEO, CAB soliciting a report on the complaint by following the procedure as laid down in Rule 70 (1) (c) which is also applicable to a proceeding under Rule 70 (1) (d).

Mr. Mukerjee, learned Counsel appearing for the complainant has not joined any issue on the above submission of the learned Counsel of the NCC and the learned Counsel of the CAB.

Be it mentioned here that in the above proceeding, NCC has submitted two Applications praying for dismissal of the proceeding on different grounds made out therein.

Let the complaint along with the above referred Applications submitted by NCC be referred to CEO of CAB for dealing with the said complaint by following the

procedure laid down in Rule 70 (1) (c) which is applicable to the proceeding under Rule 70 (1) (d).

Sd/-

Justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya  
Former Chief Justice, High Court at Calcutta,  
Presently, Ombudsman, Cricket Association of Bengal