

**BEFORE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M. KUMAR (RETD.)  
FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE, HIGH COURT OF J&K,  
OMBUDSMAN-CUM-ETHICS OFFICER  
DELHI & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION (DDCA)**

IN THE MATTER OF

Naveen Jindal ..... Complainant

Versus

Shashi Khanna & ors. .... Respondent

Present:

**For Complainant:**

Mr. Gautam Dutta, Advocate for the Complainant

**For Respondent:**

Mr. Sameer Dewan, Advocate

**For DDCA:**

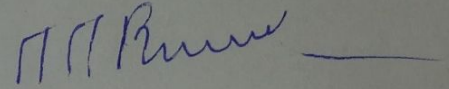
Mr. Saurabh Chadha and Mr. Rohit Bhagat, Advocates

**ORDER**  
**(DATED 05.02.2024)**

Mr. Saurabh Chadha, Ld. Counsel for the DDCA has raised a preliminary objection questioning the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman to decide the issue raised in the present complaint. However, Mr. Dutta, Ld. Counsel for the Complainant has argued to the contrary and submitted that the Ombudsman is sufficiently clothed with the jurisdiction to decide the issue inter alia as per Article 42 of the Articles of Association of DDCA. Both the Ld. Counsel have placed reliance on a number of judgments to buttress their stand.

Liberty is granted to the parties to file their respective written submissions on the aforesaid question, within a week.

Order reserved on the preliminary issue.

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**JUSTICE M.M. KUMAR (RETD.)  
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