



THE HYDERABAD CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION

HYDERABAD CRICKET ASSOCIATION (HCA)

PRESS RELEASE

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HCA UNDER-16 INTER-SCHOOL & INTER-COLLEGE TOURNAMENT 2026–27 INVITATION OF ENTRIES

REOPENING & DOUBLING OF REGISTRATIONS FOR UNDER-16 INTER-SCHOOL & INTER-COLLEGE TOURNAMENT 2026–27 TO ACCOMMODATE MORE TEAMS

Following an extraordinary response from educational institutions across Telangana, the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA) is pleased to announce a major expansion and reopening of registrations for the upcoming U-16 Inter-School & Inter-College Tournament.

As per our earlier notification, registrations were capped at a cumulative total of 120 schools and colleges and were subsequently closed upon reaching the capacity. However, to accommodate the overwhelming demand and ensure maximum participation of young cricketers, the HCA has officially doubled the tournament capacity to 240 teams.

Key Registration & Tournament Details

- Tournament Format: Knockout Tournament (commencing September 2026).
- Reopening of Registrations: From August 27, 2026 – 11:00 AM onwards.
- Registration Deadline: August 30, 2026, by 6:00 PM, OR whenever the total count of 240 registered teams is reached (whichever is earlier).
- Registration Timings: Daily from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- Registration Venue (Physical): HCA Office, Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium, Uppal, Hyderabad. Entry through Gate No. 1.

Note:

Please go through all the terms and information regarding the HCA Under-16 Inter-School & Inter-College Tournament on www.hycricket.org/ and make sure to read all the details.

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Registrations will be processed strictly on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the expanded 240-team limit is filled, no further registrations will be accepted. Interested schools and colleges are advised to complete their registration at the earliest.

Administrative Commitment

Despite a congested September domestic calendar, marked by parallel division leagues, Super Leagues and State squad practice matches, the HCA has scaled up ground allocations, officiating staff and operational logistics. We remain fully committed to providing a robust competitive platform for young talent across Hyderabad.

ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is: **₹2,000/- PER SCHOOL/COLLEGE TEAM**

The entry fee shall be payable at the time of submission of the entry.

MODE OF PAYMENT

The entry fee shall be accepted only in **cash** at the time of submission of the entry.

No other mode of payment will be accepted.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS

Registration Condition

Registration will be accepted strictly on a First Come, First Served basis. Each School/College must submit a maximum 15-player list on the official School/College letterhead, containing all required player details and duly signed by the Principal/Head of the Institution with the official School/College stamp/seal, in the format mentioned below.

The following details shall be provided for each player:

Sl. No.	Player Name	DOB	PEN No.	Aadhaar Card No.	Admission No.	Class Studying
1						
2						

A maximum of 15 players may be submitted by each participating School/College.

The School/College shall certify that all players listed are bona fide students of the respective institution and satisfy the applicable eligibility requirements.

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AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

Only one authorised person from each School/College shall be permitted to submit the entry on behalf of that particular School/College.

Only one person shall be permitted to submit the entry and complete the registration formalities for one School/College. Multiple persons from the same School/College will not be permitted to submit the same entry.

PLAYER REGISTRATION

Player registration will be conducted from 27th August 2026 to 31st August 2026.

Schools and Colleges are requested to complete the player registration process within the prescribed period.

Once player registration is submitted and accepted/approved, cancellation or changes shall not be permitted under the applicable tournament conditions.

UNDER-16 AGE ELIGIBILITY – 2026–27

For the Under-16 Boys category, players must be:

BORN BETWEEN 01 SEPTEMBER 2010 AND 31 AUGUST 2012

The age eligibility shall be strictly followed in accordance with the applicable HCA/BCCI age-group eligibility criteria for the 2026–27 season.

DOCUMENT & ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

All player registrations and supporting documents will be subject to verification by the Hyderabad Cricket Association (HCA) in accordance with the HCA's three-year domicile eligibility requirements.

Schools and Colleges are advised to ensure that all player information and supporting documents submitted are complete, accurate and valid.

Any registration found to be ineligible or supported by incorrect, incomplete or invalid documentation may be rejected in accordance with the applicable HCA regulations.

TOURNAMENT COMMENCEMENT

The HCA Under-16 Inter-School & Inter-College Tournament 2026–27 is tentatively scheduled to commence in September 2026.



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The Hyderabad Cricket Association invites Schools and Colleges to participate enthusiastically in the tournament and provide their young cricketers with an opportunity to compete in organised cricket.

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