

## Chairman PCB presides important meeting over quality of domestic cricket

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Lahore, June 24, 2024: Chairman PCB Chairman Mohsin Naqvi presided over an important meeting regarding the quality of domestic cricket at the National Cricket Academy. The meeting, which lasted for three hours, focused on strengthening domestic cricket. Chairman Naqvi gave principled approval to the plan aimed at promoting quality domestic cricket.

COO PCB, Salman Naseer, CFO PCB, Javed Murtaza, and directors of International Cricket, High Performance Centers, Domestic Cricket, PSL, Commercial, and other relevant PCB officials attended the meeting.

Chairman emphasised the promotion of quality domestic cricket at all levels. He announced that various tournaments would be consistently organised from the club level to the national level.

Chairman directed that promising players must be groomed professionally and stated that excellent coaches should train the new talent to enhance their skills. Performance, fitness, and merit will be the key criteria for advancing players.

The participants also decided to improve the standard of coaching in the upcoming domestic cricket season and to review the domestic contracts. A master coach will be appointed to train domestic cricket coaches. It was also discussed that players must participate in domestic cricket tournaments to be considered for the national team selection. Furthermore, the selection criteria for the national team will be strictly based on performance and fitness showcased in the domestic events.

A mutual agreement over zero compromise on merit, performance, and fitness was reached. The meeting decided to hold tournaments for all three formats of the game to promote quality domestic cricket in the 2024-25 season. The chairman also highlighted the need for urgent efforts to unearth new talent at the grassroots level. He reiterated that investment in new talent will promote cricket at the grassroots level and yield positive results.

The meeting participants also reviewed the domestic cricket structures of various highperforming cricket nations. Courtesy PCB