



CCI approves acquisition of three professional cricket franchises: Rajasthan Royals (India), Paarl Royals (South Africa) and Barbados Royals (Barbados) by Westview Cricket Ltd. and Poonawalla Sports and Fitness Pvt Ltd

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The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved acquisition of three professional cricket franchises: (i) Rajasthan Royals (India), (ii) Paarl Royals (South Africa) and (iii) Barbados Royals (Barbados) by Westview Cricket Limited and Poonawalla Sports and Fitness Private Limited.

The proposed combination pertains to the acquisition of three professional cricket franchises, (i) Rajasthan Royals (India), (ii) Paarl Royals (South Africa) and (iii) Barbados Royals (Barbados) by Westview Cricket Limited (**Westview Cricket**) and Poonawalla Sports and Fitness Private Limited (**Poonawalla Sports**).

Westview Cricket is a company registered in the United Kingdom.

Poonawalla Sports is a private limited company incorporated in India and is wholly owned by Mr. Adar Cyrus Poonawalla.

EM Sporting Holdings Limited (**EMSH**) is a private company limited by shares incorporated and registered in Mauritius. It is the holding company for Royal Multisport Private Limited (**RMPL**), Paarl Royals Ltd., and Barbados Royals Ltd. RMPL owns and operates the Rajasthan Royals franchise, which participates in the Indian Premier League T20 cricket tournament organized by the Board of Control for Cricket in India.

Detailed order of the Commission will follow.

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