Notification of Election to the Posts of Office Bearers of the Tamil Nadu District Basketball Associations (DBA):

To all members of the Tamil Nadu District basketball Association,

This is to officially inform all members and affiliates of the Tamil Nadu Basketball Association (TNBA) that pursuant to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 24th November 2024, I, Justice G.M Akbar Ali (Retd.), have been nominated as the Returning Officer for the forthcoming elections of the Tamil Nadu State Basketball Association (TNBA) and District Basketball Associations (DBA). The election for the office bearers of District Basketball Associations is scheduled to be held on 09.08.2025 and the process of filing of nomination will start from 01.08.2025. The election for office bearers of Tamil Nadu State Basketball Association will be held after the election of office bearers of District Basketball Associations. Therefore, it is notified that until the election process is duly completed, the present office bearers of both TNBA and all the District Basketball Associations (DBA) shall continue to hold their respective posts and discharge their functions as per the existing provisions and responsibilities. In accordance with the amended TNBA bylaws, I shall be responsible for conducting the electoral process in a transparent, impartial, and efficient manner, ensuring adherence to all regulatory and procedural requirements.

As Returning Officer, I assure all members of my commitment to uphold the principles of impartiality, transparency, and fairness throughout the electoral process. Detailed guidelines, timelines, and procedures for the elections will be communicated in due course, ensuring smooth execution of all electoral activities.

The election to the posts of the Office Bearers of the District Basketball Associations (DBAs) shall be conducted at the first instance and thereafter, the election for the posts of the Office Bearers of TNBA shall be conducted.

In pursuance of the power vested with me, as Election Officer, the following election notification is being issued:

- a) The election to the posts of the Office Bearers of the District Basketball Associations within the State of Tamil Nadu is hereby called for.
- b) The Office Bearers of the Clubs affiliated to TNBA shall be eligible to contest for any of the post of Office Bearers of the District Basketball Associations affiliated to TNBA within the State of Tamil Nadu. However, such office bearer of the clubs affiliated to TNBA cannot contest for more than two (2) posts of office bearers in the District Basketball Associations affiliated to TNBA.
- c) Only the President of the affiliated Clubs of TNBA or his duly authorised proxy can vote in the respective District Basketball Association election. Such proxy authorised by the President of the affiliated club of TNBA must be an office bearer in the very same club to which the President belongs and no one else can be nominated as proxy.
- **d)** The election shall be conducted for the following posts of office bearers of the respective DBAs:

i) President - 1 post

ii) Vice President - 5 posts

iii) Secretary - 1 post

iv) Joint Secretary - 4 posts

v) Treasurer - 1 post

Provided that a minimum of 2 out of the above-mentioned office bearer positions shall be held by women.

e) The DBAs shall be categorized zone-wise into 4 different Zones of Chennai, Coimbatore, Trichy and Madurai to cover all the 38 Districts for the purpose of election and the election shall be conducted at the following cities:

S.No	Zone	City
1	Chennai	Chennai
2	Coimbatore	Coimbatore
3	Trichy	Trichy
4	Madurai	Madurai

- f) The zone-wise category of Districts is listed in **Annexure-I**.
- g) The election schedule is listed in **Annexure-II** which contains the following:
 - (i) date of nomination,
 - (ii) date of withdrawal,
 - (iii) date of Scrutiny and Finalisation,
 - (iv) release date of final list of contesting candidates,
 - (v) address and mode in which the nominations shall be accepted and scrutiny will be conducted and
 - (vi) the time, date and venue of election.
- h) The nomination form should be filed as per proforma in Annexure-III.
- the nominations shall be filed in person or through Registered Post or courier or by email so as to reach not later than 4 pm on the last date of receipt of nomination as notified hereunder. The venue of submission of nomination form and email id of the respective Returning officers appointed for the respective Zones are mentioned in Annexure-II. Nomination by email has to be sent to the email id of the respective Returning Officers by attaching a clear scanned copy of the duly executed nomination paper.

- **Annexure-** IV. Withdrawal of Nomination can also be submitted in person or through Registered Post or courier or by email. Withdrawal of nomination by email has to be sent to the email id of the respective Returning Officers by attaching a clean scanned copy of the duly executed Annexure-IV.
- **k)** Scrutiny will be done on the appointed date in the presence of the nominee or in the presence of the Agent who is authorised under Annexure V at the venue mentioned in Annexure II.
- 1) Agent authorisation for presence at the time of scrutiny / polling / counting of votes should be as per proforma in Annexure-V. An Office Bearer of any Club within the same District to which the nomination has been applied for contesting for any post of office bearer in that District Basketball Association can be authorised for the purpose of this Annexure.
- m) Proxy authorisation letter for the purpose of voting should be submitted as per proforma in **Annexure-VI** in the letter pad of the club issued by the President of the said club.
- n) The scrutiny of nomination form, opening of Ballot Box and counting of votes shall be done in the presence of the candidate who is contesting for any of the office bearer post in the respective District Basketball Association or the duly authorised agent of the said candidate in Annexure-V.
- o) All the annexures as above mentioned shall be made available in the Tnba website www.tnbahub.com

The Election Officer is hereby appointing R.V.R.Deenadayalan, District Judge (Retd) as the Returning Officer to conduct the election of DBAs for Chennai zone.

The Election Officer is hereby appointing R. Govindarajan, District Judge (Retd) as the Assistant Returning Officer to conduct the election of DBAs for Coimbatore zone.

The Election Officer is hereby appointing P. Deivaraj District Judge (Retd) as the Assistant Returning Officer to conduct the election of DBAs for Madurai zone.

The Election Officer is hereby appointing P. Ravi, District Judge (Retd)as the Assistant Returning Officer to conduct the election of DBAs for Trichy zone.

Dated at Chennai on this the 23rd day of July, 2025

G.M Akbar Ali

Election Officer

Former Judge

Madras High Court