TPL 2016 IV Edition
RULES & PLAYING CONDITIONS

The tournament will be played on Sunday 14th of August from 8:00AM at Nashua. All teams and umpires should report to the venue sharp by 0740AM.

Participation: TAGB is funded and run by the Telugu Community and TPL is an fun event organized by the Telugu Community and without prejudice the tourney will be an invitational tournament mainly organized for the telugu community.

- All Captains will honorably commit to playing only One Non Telugu Indian player in the list of 10 players
- All Captains have to declare their team players (upto 10) names to the TAGB Sports Committee by the 9th of Aug 2015 5PM. TAGB Sports Committee will publish the same to all Captains by the 13th of Aug 2015.
- Any team violating this rule and play more than one Non Telugu players will be banned from the tournament and their registration fees forfeited.

- ALL TEAMS SHOULD KEEP THE FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS FREE OF ALL WASTE, DEBRIS, EMPTY CANS, BOTTLES, FOOD ETC
- PLEASE USE PORTABLE TOILETS IN THE GROUNDS

Round Robin Stage: 15 teams
- There will be 5 groups and each group will consist of 3 teams which play with each other in the preliminary round robin matches in their respective group.
- The top 8 teams of the 15 teams will go to the knock-out stages of quarter-finals and progress to semi-finals and the finals based on their wins.

Qualification & seeding criteria for knock out stage:
- Points: In the round robin stage each match could result in a Win, Loss, Tie, or forfeiture, the following points will be awarded for each result
  - Win: 2 points
  - Tie: 1 point
  - Loss/Forfeiture: 0 points. If a team forfeits a match, the other team will be awarded a win. However the NRR in this case will be counted as zero.
- 8 Teams with most points and Net Run Rate (NRR) in the preliminary round robin stage will be qualifying for the knockouts. The seeding will also be based on the most wins and NRR
- If both the points and net run-rate remains same, then the team which has lost the least number of wickets in all their preliminary round robin stage matches will be considered for a higher qualification. In an unlikely event of both points and NRR remains same between two teams then the flip of the coin comes into play.

**Knock-outs:**
Assuming the teams are seeded/ranked A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8
- The quarter finals will be between following pairs: A1-A8, A2-A7, A3-A6, A4-A5
- The semis will be Winner A1-A8 vs Winner A4-A5, Winner A2-A7 vs A3-A6
- Winners will play the final for the championship.

**Umpiring & Fair play:** The is a self-run & a fun tournament and it is mandatory for every team to support TAGB with Umpiring and with total fair play.

- **Round Robin Stage:** To bring in neutrality each team will provide two umpires during the preliminary round robin stage. Example: In each group there will be three teams – A, B, C: Team A umpires will referee Team B and Team C match and Team B umpires will referee Team A and Team C match and the Team C umpires will referee Team B and Team A match.
- **Captains of the teams are requested to provide umpires who understand the game and are focused throughout the innings and also conversant with the TPL rules.** In the event, neutral umpires are unavailable, the batting side will designate both the Straight and Leg umpires.
- The decision of the on-field umpire is final.
- This is a fun event and we expect that each member in their respective teams will conduct themselves professionally. In the event of a dispute, it is recommended that the captains and umpires resolve the issue at hand.
- It is natural that during the game the competitive spirit takes over and one can get aggressive for various reasons, it is the responsibility of the Captain to adhere to the spirit of the game by avoiding any bad language by his team member and smooth execution of games.
- On the field, the Captains should handle all their team players and their arguments.
- **All onfield disputes have to the referred to the 3 member arbitration committee.** In the event the arbitration committee cannot come to a conclusion then TAGB Sports Committee will take the final decision based on the findings of the Arbitration Committee.

**Conditions of Play**
- All matches will start at 8:00AM on Sunday 14th of August.
- Each team can have 7 Telugu + 1 non Telugu Indian players for the match. 10 players can participate from a team.
- However, a player playing for one team cannot play for another team during the course of the tournament.
- All matches will be of 6 overs duration per innings.
- If a team loses seven (7) wickets prior to the completion of 6 overs, the team will be considered all-out. There is no last man batting.
- **Each team has to use 4 bowlers and a bowler will be allowed a maximum of 2 overs per match.**
All international one-day cricket rules apply with the following exceptions:
- Leg-before-wicket (LBW) rule will not be applied. Leg-Byes are not allowed and hence overthrows and run-Outs on leg-byes are not allowed.
- No runners for injured batsmen will be provided.
- **Mankading rule:** Once the bowler starts to bowl the ball is live and the bowler can run-out the non-striker if he backs up outside the crease before the bowler gets into his bowling stride.

**Playing conditions:**
- The game will be played with NIVIA heavy tennis ball and will be provided by TAGB.
- TAGB will provide the grounds, stumps and boundary markers.
- There are no restrictions in the fielding positions.
- One drinks break between innings (after 6 overs) for 5 minutes will be allowed.

**Ground Rules**
- Depending on the ground there will be different boundary rules and it will be announced before the match.

**Result Reporting**
- The batting team is requested to keep accurate statistics for both the batting and bowling side.
- TAGB will provide score-sheets. It’s mandatory to use the same template for coherency in determining the results.

**Penalties**
- **All teams and umpires should report 15 mins before the start of their game.**
- **Any team not performing umpiring duties will be disqualified**
- **Unless there is a delay in the organization side, any team reporting late will be penalized: 1 over will be docked for every 5 mins delay during batting of the team which defaults, max delay of 20 mins. After a 20 mins delay from the start time the match will be called off and points forfeited.**
- In addition to the driving times, please plan for parking delays at Greely Park as we will be having a full parking lot (15 mins minimum).

**WOMEN CRICKET RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Game will be 8 a side
- Will be played from 15 yards
• Regular bowling will not be permitted; you can only throw the ball.

• 6 overs per team. Each over will have six balls.

• Minimum 4 bowlers to be used and maximum two overs per bowler.

• There will be running between the wickets.

• There will no LBWs and the ball will be declared dead once it hits the body. But if it hits the body and the stumps then the batsmen is out.

• No last woman batting. 7 down and the side will be declared all out.

• There will be byes, wides, there will be a wide line drawn on the offside (one and bat handle length) and any ball pitched outside the line and down the leg-side (back of the batswoman) will be a wide ball.
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Rules acceptance and Liability Waiver Form

- I accept that I am participating in this tournament (TPL 2016) on my own accord and I accept that TAGB is only facilitating this cricket tournament for fun and to help the Telugu community network. TAGB is not liable for any injuries bodily or mentally that may occur during the event.

- I have my own means to cover for any medical necessity, if needed during and after the tournament, and will not hold TAGB organizers and all parties and persons concerned with organization of this event and volunteers of the event responsible for any injury while playing.

- Will play responsibly according to the rules of the TAGB tournament and accept the rulings by the TAGB organizers in case of any dispute.

Team Captain Name: __________________________

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