



## BCB to Build House for Women's Football Star Rituporna Chakma; Key Decisions Made at Saturday Board Meeting



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The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has announced plans to construct a house for Rituporna Chakma, a prominent player of the Bangladesh women's football team, at her ancestral home. This decision was taken during an extensive board meeting held on Saturday, which also addressed several critical issues including the Bangladesh Premier League (BPL), umpiring concerns, cricket operations, and facility management. BCB President Aminul Islam Bulbul participated in the meeting virtually from Australia.

The board resolved to initiate legal proceedings against BPL franchises that have failed to clear outstanding payments to players. Furthermore, it was decided that going forward, all player remunerations will be disbursed directly by the BCB to ensure transparency and timely payments.

Highlighting the upcoming BPL season, the board emphasized the urgent need to appoint a sports marketing consultancy firm to manage the league's commercial interests effectively. In parallel, the BCB unveiled plans to enhance the capacity of the ICC Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU) to curb corruption and maintain the integrity of the tournament.

On the technical front, Julian Ross Wood has been appointed as the national team's batting consultant, while David Scott will serve as the team's mind trainer. Tony Hemming has been named chief curator for the next two years, tasked with overseeing pitch preparation and ground conditions.

Additionally, the board decided to dissolve seven regional cricket associations to streamline administration. In a structural change for the National Cricket League, the Mymensingh division will replace Dhaka Metro in the four-day matches, marking a significant shift in the domestic cricket landscape.