



IBA DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

Disciplinary Case No. 2022/02 (R) Eligibility of Bangladesh Amateur Boxing Federation to participate in the 2022 IBA Congress

DECISION

4 April 2022

Disciplinary Panel for this Proceeding: Chairman - Francois Strydom, South Africa Member – Glenn Feldman, USA Member - Alexandra Monkhouse, Canada

I. **Introduction**

On 4 March 2022 the IBA Disciplinary Committee ("the DC") brought out the following decision:

- The ASBC and IBA member federations of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Brunei, Myanmar and Timor-Leste are declared ineligible in connection with the 2022 ASBC Congress and the 2022 IBA Congress;
- If full payment is received by ASBC of the outstanding dues by no later than 8 April 2022, any of the ineligible federations which has made such late payment may apply for a review by the DC of the declaration of ineligibility with a view to participation in the IBA Congress.
- It is confirmed that **Bhutan** & **Vietnam** remain eligible for both Congresses.

The decision concerned the eligibility of the mentioned seven Asian national federations to participate in, and exercise the rights of an Eligible National Federation relating to, the ASBC Congress (scheduled to place on 12 March 2022) and the IBA Congress (scheduled to take place on 13 – 14 May 2022).

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The reason for the decision of ineligibility was the failure of the national federations concerned to pay their annual affiliation fees to the ASBC, the confederation of which each of them is a member. The annual fees were payable by no later than 12 February 2022, being a date one month before the ASBC Congress, in accordance with Art. 15.2(b) of the ASBC Constitution.

The DC has jurisdiction, in the above circumstances, to declare a federation ineligible in terms of Art. 15.3 of the ASBC Constitution in relation to the ASBC Congress and also to declare such federation ineligible in terms of art. 16.3 of the IBA Constitution in relation to the upcoming IBA Congress.

II. The review proceedings

On 16 March 2022 the DC received a request from the Bangladesh Amateur Boxing Federation ("Bangladesh") for a review of the DC's declaration of ineligibility in relation to the upcoming IBA Congress on the basis that Bangladesh had remitted to the ASBC payment of its outstanding dues on 10 March 2022. Bangladesh apologized and committed that in future they will abide by the direction of the Constitution to pay the annual affiliation fees of both IBA & ASBC timely. Bangladesh stated that their failure was unintentional.

On 22 March 2022 the IBA HQ forwarded to the DC confirmation by the ASBC Finance Director that Bangladesh' membership dues had indeed now been paid in full.

In terms of Rule 50.1 of the IBA Procedural Rules the DC may reconsider its decision, either on its own initiative or upon request of one of the parties, when new pertinent facts arise or if new evidence is discovered, unless they could have been brought forward during the proceedings leading to the decision. The payment by Bangladesh of its outstanding membership fees on a date subsequent to the DC's decision of 4 March 2022, but within the window period foreseen in the decision, is considered a 'new pertinent fact' which has arisen and which permits the exercise by the DC of its powers under the said Rule 50.1.





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III. The decision

Upon a proper consideration of the above, and taking into account the opportunity given in the DC's decision of 4 March 2022 to the affected federations to seek a review upon having made payment by no later than 8 April 2022, the DC brings out the following decision:

- The declaration of ineligibility in relation to the 2022 IBA Congress is, in so far as it affects **Bangladesh**, hereby revoked.
- The declaration of ineligibility in connection with the 2022 IBA Congress remains unchanged in the case of Afghanistan, Brunei, Myanmar and Timor-Leste.

FP Strydom	
	Dated: April 4, 2022
Francois Strydom	
DC Chairman	

