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Dear Media Friends,

Welcome to this Press Meet. On behalf of the Bangalore Turf Club Ltd., Members, Race Horse Owners, Trainers, Jockeys, Stable Employees, Staff, Racing Patrons and the entire Racing Fraternity, we would like to sincerely thank the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Government of Karnataka Shri Siddaramiah for his timely intervention towards making way for the conduct of both on-course & off course betting at a critical juncture at Bangalore.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Siddaramiah has always been kind to the Bangalore Turf Club. It was during his stint earlier as Deputy Chief Minister that the Totalisator betting got a big boost with the turnover tax being fixed at a low 4 per cent. This was largely instrumental in ensuring that betting on the club operated Totalisator pools touched a record turnover of Rs 2000 Crores, the highest in the country by a mile. Apart from ensuring that betting was only through legal channels, the government was also able to net higher revenue of about Rs 160 crores through turnover tax. The Club as a result was able to generate sufficient money to provide incentives and good stake money for racing. All this ensured that racing in Bangalore was of the highest order which was the envy of other Turf Clubs across the country.

The Bangalore Turf Club looks forward to the continued support, guidance and encouragement from the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Siddaramaiah. We at The Bangalore Turf Club are committed to maintaining the highest standards of integrity, with the support of the Government of Karnataka, so as to ensure that the sport is patronized by large sections of the society. The attendance at Bangalore is perhaps the highest in the country only because of the fact that the public have great confidence in the way racing is conducted adhering to strict protocols. Notwithstanding the attempts by a certain section of disgruntled elements within the fraternity intending to malign the image of the institution, the Club will remain undeterred and continue to carry on its activities like a model Turf Club to be a jewel in the crown of Karnataka.

The Bangalore Turf Club also wishes to place on record the kind help received from top functionaries of the government namely Mr. I S N Prasad, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Mr. Praveen Sood, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Mr. L.K. Atheeq, IAS, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister for their help in resolving the crisis and paving the way for the conduct of the prestigious summer season at Bangalore.

The Bangalore Turf Club also places on record the extensive efforts of educationist, writer and former Chairman of the BTC Dr. K M Srinivasa Gowda for his untiring efforts in bringing about a resolution to the problem faced by the club.

The Bangalore Summer Season has attracted the top talent in the industry from all over the country and racing will be highly competitive, keenly contested and of a top order. The Bangalore Derby which will now be held on Sunday 16th July will be the biggest attraction & highlight of the season. We look forward to the presence of a large colourful crowd of racing enthusiasts like it has been the feature over all these years. The revised fixtures of the Bangalore Summer Meeting 2017, as a sequel of the impasse are enclosed.

We thank the members of the media for their gracious presence & and look forward to their continued support.

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CHAIRMAN & SENIOR STEWARD Bangalore, 9th June 2017

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FIXTURES FOR BANGALORE SUMMER MEETING 2017
                                             May, 2017
                      Saturday
                                    13th
First Day
                                    14th
                      Sunday
Second Day
            (JAYACHAMARAJA WADIYAR CUP-GRADE III)
                                    20th
                       Saturday
Third Day
                                              ,,(Cancelled)
                                    21st
                       Sunday
Fourth Day
                                              June, 2017 (Cancelled)
                       Saturday
                                    3rd
Fifth Day
              (Postponed from Saturday, 27th May, 2017)
             (KARNATAKA JUVENILE MILLION - GRADE-II)
                                               ,,(Cancelled)
                                    4th
                       Sunday
Sixth Day
              (Postponed from Sunday, 28th May, 2017)
                      (RACING PATRONS CUP)
                                    10th
                       Saturday
Seventh Day
                                    11th
                       Sunday
Eighth Day
                   (KRISHNARAJA WADIYAR CUP)
                                     17th
                       Saturday
Ninth Day
                                     18th
                        Sunday
 Tenth Day
              (FILLIES CHAMPIONSHIP STAKES - GRADE I)
                                     24th
                        Saturday
 Eleventh Day
                  (CHIEF JUSTICE'S CUP-GRADE III)
                                     25th
                        Sunday
 Twelfth Day
              (COLTS CHAMPIONSHIP STAKES - GRADE I)
                                               July, 2017
                                     1st
 Thirteenth Day
                        Saturday
              (JUVENILE SPRINTERS' MILLION - GRADE III)
                                     2nd
                        Sunday
 Fourteenth Day
                  (CHIEF MINISTER'S CUP - GRADE III)
                                     8th
                        Saturday
 Fifteenth Day
                                     9th
                        Sunday
 Sixteenth Day
                 (MAHARAJA'S GOLD CUP - GRADE II)
                                      15th
 Seventeenth Day
                        Saturday
                 (B.T.C. ANNIVERSARY CUP - GRADE II)
                        Sunday
                                      16th
  Eighteenth Day
           (KINGFISHER ULTRA DERBY BANGALORE-GRADE I)
                                      22nd
                         Saturday
  Nineteenth Day
                                      23rd
                         Sunday
  Twentieth Day
                   (BANGALORE ST. LEGER - GRADE II)
                                      29th
                         Saturday
  Twentyfirst Day
                                      30th
  Twentysecond Day
                         Sunday
     (BANGALORE CITY SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP GOLD CUP - GRADE III)
                                                August, 2017
                         Thursday
                                      3rd
  Twentythird Day
               (BANGALORE SUMMER MILLION - GRADE III)
                                      4th
                         Friday
  Twentyfourth Day
            (KARNATAKA MILE CHAMPIONSHIP CUP-GRADE II)
                                       10th
                         Thursday
  Twentyfifth Day
                                       11th
                         Friday
  Twentysixth Day
                     (GOVERNOR'S CUP - GRADE III)
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(The above dates are subject to alteration)