



ZAKIR KHAN

Founding Partner

About Me

A dedicated and accomplished ex-cricketer with 23 years of experience in the sport, possessing a deep understanding of the game, exceptional leadership skills, and a strong passion for the sport.



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Language

- English
- Urdu
- Pushto
- Punjabi

Expertise

- Cricket
- Administration
- Event Operations
- Strategic Planning
- Management Skills
- Leadership

Experience

Founding Partner | CourtSide
September 2023 - Present

Consultant | Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB)
April 2023 - November 2023

Director International Cricket Operations | PCB
2018 - April 2023

Team Manager Pakistan Junior Teams | PCB
2015 - 2018

Team Manager of the Pakistan National Team for Asia Cup and ICC T20 World Cup
2014 | PCB
2014

Director International Cricket Operations | PCB
2014

Director Domestic Cricket Operations and Tournament Director Pakistan Super League | PCB
2011 - 2014

Director International | PCB
2009 - 2011

Director Cricket Operations (International & Domestic) | PCB
2007 - 2009

Administrator Academies | PCB
2006 - 2007

Senior General Manager Cricket Operations | PCB
2004 - 2006

General Manager Cricket Operations - International, Domestic, Academies | PCB
2000 - 2004

Assistant Secretary | PCB
1999 - 2000

*also assumed the roles of Acting CEO for ICC meetings and Acting Election Commissioner at the PCB

Self-Employed | Construction Company
1997 - 1999

Special Assistant & Coordinator Administration with Chief Executive | PACE Departmental Store
1993 - 1997

Cricketer | Agricultural Development Bank of Pakistan
1983 - 1993

Played for Pakistan Cricket Team
1984-95 - 1990

**International Cricket**

- Preparation of Future Tour Programs (FTP) from 2014-2022 and 2023-2027.
- Revival of International Cricket in Pakistan, after the Terrorism incident in Pakistan in 2009, by Hosting the Australia, England, New Zealand, Sri Lanka and others cricket teams etc.
- Finalization of senior international tours which includes finalization of itineraries, budgeting, logistics, appointment of officials etc.
- Finalization of junior tours i.e. Under-15, Under-16, Under-17, Under-19, Pakistan Shaheen and Pakistan Academies. These include budget, trials, camps and logistics.
- Negotiations with other cricket Boards on MOUs for home and abroad tours.
- Dealing with International Cricket Council matters.
- Dealing with matters pertaining to Asian Cricket Council.
- Relevant cricket matters pertaining to issues such as batting, prevention of gambling and match fixing, bowlers with suspect bowling action, playing conditions, umpires and referees.
- Negotiating and finalizing Players' contracts.
- Coordinate measures to improve the ground conditions of all international venues including availability of necessary facilities i.e. ground equipment etc. Ensure stadiums are equipped with the latest equipment.
- Coordinate matters relating to cricket with Sports Ministry and other government agencies.
- Coordinate with Embassies and High Commissions for issuance of visas for home and abroad visits by teams and T.V crews.
- Event Manager for following home series at neutral venues:
 1. One Day Triangular Series during August-September 2001 in Kenya. Participating countries were Pakistan, Kenya and Australia.
 2. 2 Tests and 3 One Day Internationals Pakistan v West Indies during February 2002 in Sharjah.
 3. 1 Test Pakistan v Australia during October 2002 in Colombo, Sri Lanka.
 4. 2 Tests Pakistan v Australia during October 2002 in Sharjah.
 5. Event Manager for 10-Nation Youth Asia Cup held in Karachi during July 2003.
 6. Tri-Nation Tournament in Amsterdam 2004 - Pakistan, India and Holland.
 7. Asia Cup 2008 - held at Lahore and Karachi.
- Conducted security visits undertaken by New Zealand, Australia, India, and South African Security Teams to Pakistan to assess situation.
- Member, ICC Steering Committee June 2003.
- Event Manager for Asia Cup 2008 held in Pakistan during June-July 2008.
- Appointed Chairman Technical Committee for Asia Cup 2008.

Domestic Cricket

- Coordination with DCMC with regard to finalization of draws and budgeting for each season.
- Appointment of umpires, scorers and match referees.
- Coordination with Disciplinary Committee to settle cases concerning disciplinary matters. I later became a member of the PCB's Disciplinary Committee.
- Coordination with Rules Committee regarding playing conditions.
- Dealing with all matters pertaining to special cricket vis-à-vis Women, Blind, Deaf and Dumb.
- Maintain close liaison with Districts and Regional Cricket Associations.
- Formulate methodology/program for development of cricket at school/club (gross roots) level.
- Was responsible for Cricket Academies in Pakistan (for two terms) for their day to day affairs - one National Academy and four regional academies.
- Attended Administrative Course held in Lahore during 2002 under the auspices of ICC.
- Worked at ICC on secondment as Manager Special Projects from 15th June 2006 to 15th December 2006.

Administration

- Dealing with various Government Departments i.e. Pakistan Customs, Lahore Development Authority, WAPDA, Sui Gas, Telephone Department, Income Tax, Labour Department, Food Department.
- Helping in dealing with banks for arranging working capital.
- Dealing with different multi-national companies for food products.
- Incharge of construction of PACE Departmental Store.
- Looking after the Abiotor Meat Processing Plan in Raiwind.
- Arranging boarding and travel arrangements for Board of Directors of the Company and Chief Executive.
- Arranging for the maintenance of cars and other transportation of the Company.
- Also involved with the expansion of the Company's Future Projects.

Cricketing Career

- Played against Australian Under-19 Team 1980
- Made one day debut against New Zealand in 1984-1985. Became Man of the Match in the first one day match by taking 4-19, the best performance on debut ever for Pakistan.
- Pakistan Team tour to Sharjah 1985
- Pakistan 'B' Team tour to Kenya 1985-86
- Pakistan Team tour to Sri Lanka 1986. Made Test debut in Sri Lanka
- Pakistan Team tour to Sharjah
- Pakistan Team tour to Australia - Americas Cup 1987
- Pakistan Team tour to India 1987
- Pakistan 'B' Team tour to Zimbabwe 1987
- Pakistan Team tour to England 1987
- Pakistan Team tour to West Indies 1988
- Pakistan Team tour to Sharjah for Australasia Cup 1990
- Exhibition matches in North America, Middle East, Bangladesh and India.
- First Class - Played 91 First Class matches for Peshawar and ADBP. Captained Peshawar and ADBP Teams. While captaining ADBP won Quaid-e-Azam Trophy and Wills One Tournaments in different years.