



GUJARAT CRICKET ASSOCIATION

UMPIRES ACADEMY

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Media Release

GCA Umpires Academy's Website Launched

Ahmedabad : September 8, 2012 : The Gujarat Cricket Association (GCA) Umpires Academy supported by Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) successfully completed one year in August 2012. On this occasion, a website www.gcaumpiresacademy.com was launched yesterday in presence of RIL Group President and GCA Vice President Mr. Parimal Nathwani, GCA Secretary Mr. Rajesh Patel and Director of Umpires Academy Mr. Amish Saheba.

The GCA Umpires Academy was created at the behest of the GCA President and Chief Minister Mr. Narendra Modi. The GCA Vice Presidents Mr. Amit Shah and Mr. Parimal Nathwani guided the Academy during its formative stage.

Mr. Nathwani on the occasion of launching the website advised the academy director to ensure an overall development of boys in the Academy so that some of them shine out at national and international levels in future.

Mr. Saheba informed on this occasion that the Academy took 19 batches of Level-1 at different district places in Gujarat. About 600 students participated in Level-1 category out of which 93 students were found successful. The thrust during the training was on practical's and communication skills; he said. Certificates to some of the successful candidates were issued and presented by Mr. Nathwani.

Mr. Saheba also said that the local umpires got guidance of ICC stalwarts Mr. Tony Hill and Mr. David Boon who visited the Academy. It was for the first time that ICC allowed their elite umpire and match referee to interact with locals. The GCA Umpires Academy also posted umpires for Reliance Inter-district Under-19 and Under-22 as well as senior district matches; he said and added that all the district umpires were allotted equal number of matches which got appreciation from all the district associations.

The GCA Umpires Academy has now decided to undertake personality development training of the prospective students this year. The website gives comprehensive information in working of the Academy.

