

LENASIA CRICKET CLUB



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Re: Message of condolence

Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un.

Dearest Shahnaz

The members of Lenasia Cricket Club were deeply saddened and heartbroken to learn of the passing of our dear friend and brother, Goolam Hoosen.

We knew of the health challenges that had prevented him from attending meetings and matches in recent years. His absence was immediately felt, for he was a man whose sound judgement, wisdom and quiet counsel were invaluable to the Club. His meticulous approach to governance, particularly in strengthening our financial systems, introduced a level of professionalism that continues to serve us well. Much of the stability and success we enjoy today is built upon the foundations he helped establish.

Although Goolam's playing days had ended before he devoted himself to the Club's administration, those of us fortunate enough to have shared the field with him often speak of a cricketer who could more than hold his own in any company. With ball in hand, he was intelligent, disciplined and dependable, capable of delivering long, economical spells that reflected both his skill and remarkable stamina. He was the consummate team player, placing the success of the side above personal recognition. His sporting talents extended beyond cricket, where he was equally respected as a tireless footballer whose commitment never wavered over the full ninety minutes.

As news of his passing spread, the wider Lenasia community spoke with one voice of the profound loss of a man of quiet dignity, deep humility and unwavering integrity. He lived without fanfare and never sought the spotlight, yet earned the respect and affection of all who knew him. Only now are many of us discovering the countless ways in which he served others and enriched the lives of his community. His kindness spoke far louder than words ever could.

We believed we knew the very best of Goolam through his years of service to our Club. Yet in the days since his passing, we have come to appreciate that his influence reached far beyond the boundary ropes. His was a life measured not by public acclaim, but by selfless acts, gentle compassion and an unwavering commitment to making Lenasia a better place. That realisation makes his loss even more profound.

Lenasia Cricket Club will remain forever grateful to have called Goolam not only a valued administrator and loyal member, but a true friend. His gentle nature, humility and quiet strength endeared him to everyone privileged enough to know him. His legacy will continue to inspire us for many years to come.

We pray that Almighty Allah (SWT) grants Goolam the highest abode in Jannatul Firdaus, forgives his shortcomings, and rewards him abundantly for the goodness he brought into the lives of so many. May Allah (SWT) also grant you and the entire family Sabr-e-Jameel, strength and comfort during this most difficult time, as you mourn the loss of a devoted husband, beloved son, cherished brother, caring uncle and treasured friend.

With our deepest sympathy and prayers,

Aslam Khota.

For and behalf of the LENASIA CRICKET CLUB.

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