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PRESS RELEASE

MYSORE WINTER RACES 2026-27
Presented by Mysore Race Club Ltd.
In Association with Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla

The Mysore Race Club Ltd. is delighted to announce the commencement of the **Mysore Winter Races 2026-27**, scheduled to commence on **Wednesday, 25th November 2026** and continue through **17th February 2027** across **thirteen racing days**.

The forthcoming Winter Season assumes special significance as it is being conducted in distinguished association with **Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla**, one of the most respected and influential patrons of Indian horse racing. His continued commitment to the advancement of the sport and his unwavering encouragement towards excellence in racing have greatly strengthened this season's programme and objectives.

The Mysore Race Club takes immense pride in announcing a landmark initiative aimed at further encouraging ownership and racing activity at Mysuru. In association with Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla, the Club has introduced **additional stakes exclusively for locally stabled two-year-old and three-year-old horses**, together with a **10% Performance Incentive Scheme for owners of locally trained horses** participating during the Winter Season.

These incentives have been specifically designed to strengthen the local racing ecosystem, reward commitment to Mysuru-based racing operations, encourage investment in young equine talent, and provide greater opportunities for emerging owners and professionals. The initiative represents a significant step towards fostering sustainable growth and ensuring that locally housed horses remain competitive and adequately rewarded.

The Club firmly believes that strengthening the foundation of local racing ultimately contributes to the overall development of Indian horse racing. By creating enhanced opportunities for young horses and rewarding sustained performance, the Winter Season seeks to encourage wider participation while elevating the quality of competition at Mysuru.

RACING PROGRAMME

The Mysore Winter Races 2026-27 will be conducted from **25th November 2026 to 17th February 2027** and will feature several prestigious trophies and feature events:

Day & Date	Feature Races

1st Day	Wed. 25th Nov	The Rajyotsava Trophy
2nd Day	Wed. 02nd Dec	The Dr. Ishwari G K Balakrishnan Memorial Trophy
3rd Day	Wed. 09th Dec	The Vidhatri Motors Cup
4th Day	Wed. 16th Dec	The D V Vishwanath Memorial Trophy
5th Day	Wed. 23rd Dec	The Racing Patrons Trophy
6th Day	Wed. 30th Dec	The Dr. R Rajendra Prasad Memorial Trophy
7th Day	Wed. 06th Jan	The C Dasharatharama Shetty Memorial Trophy
8th Day	Wed. 13th Jan	The Chamundi Million
9th Day	Wed. 20th Jan	The Dr. M N Doreswamy Memorial Trophy
10th Day	Wed. 27th Jan	The Equine Veterinarians Trophy
11th Day	Wed. 3rd Feb	The Rajakumari Leelavathi Devi Memorial Trophy
12th Day	Wed. 10th Feb	The P M Channabasavanna Memorial Trophy
13th Day	Wed. 17th Feb	The Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar Memorial Million

The Chamundi Million and **The Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar Memorial Million** supported through the association of Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla, are expected to attract quality horses and leading racing connections from across the country, thereby enhancing the stature and competitiveness of the Mysore Winter Season.

STAKEMONEY AND INCENTIVES

The total advertised stake money for the season is approximately **₹4.70 Crores**, inclusive of cups and trophies.

In addition, the special support extended through the association with Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla has enabled the Club to introduce:

- Enhanced stakes for locally stabled two-year-old and three-year-old horses.
- A 10% Performance Incentive for owners of local horses.
- Additional encouragement for the development and retention of quality horses at Mysuru.

These measures collectively underscore the Club's commitment towards supporting owners, trainers and racing professionals associated with the Mysore centre.

PARTICIPATION

The Winter Races are expected to witness strong participation from both local and outstation racing interests.

Approximately **460 horses** are presently stabled at Mysore, with nearly **30 local trainers** actively operating from the centre. In addition, several trainers from other racing jurisdictions are expected to participate during the season. More than **100 jockeys**, including many leading riders from across the Indian racing circuit, are anticipated to take part in the racing programme.

Such encouraging participation reflects the continuing importance of Mysuru as one of India's premier racing centres and is expected to ensure competitive fields and high-quality racing throughout the season.

RACING INFRASTRUCTURE

The Club's racing infrastructure has been meticulously prepared for the season. The racing surface, training tracks, stabling facilities and operational systems have undergone extensive attention to ensure optimum conditions for horses, trainers, jockeys and racing professionals.

The Mysore Race Club remains committed to providing a safe, efficient and professionally managed racing environment that meets the highest standards of the sport.

TOTALISATOR AND SPECTATOR FACILITIES

Adequate totalisator facilities and betting terminals will be available to ensure seamless operations and enhanced convenience for patrons attending the races.

Public admission charges have been fixed at:

- **₹200** on Mysore race days
- **₹100** on off-course Race days

DIGITAL OUTREACH

The Club continues to expand its digital and social-media presence to provide greater accessibility and engagement for racing enthusiasts. Live racing coverage will be available through the Club's official platforms, enabling followers across the country to remain connected with the action at Mysuru.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Mysore Race Club Ltd. places on record its profound appreciation to **Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla** for his valued association with the Mysore Winter Races 2026-27 and for his steadfast commitment to the advancement of Indian horse racing. His support reflects not merely patronage, but a shared vision of promoting excellence, encouraging healthy competition, and strengthening the foundations of the sport for future generations.

The Mysore Race Club Ltd. expresses its sincere appreciation to the **Government of Karnataka** and all concerned authorities for their continued cooperation and support to the sport of horse racing and to the activities of the Club.

The Mysore Race Club also acknowledges with appreciation the unwavering support of its **Esteemed Members**, whose enduring faith in the institution and active participation in its activities continue to be a source of strength and inspiration. The Club remains committed to preserving the rich traditions of racing at Mysuru while

pursuing progressive initiatives that enhance the experience of members, patrons and racing professionals alike.

The Club further conveys its gratitude to the owners, trainers, jockeys, breeders, stable staff, racing officials, sponsors, donors of trophies, and all stakeholders of the racing fraternity whose dedication, professionalism and sporting spirit contribute to the success and prestige of racing at Mysuru.

A special word of thanks is due to the **print, electronic and digital media**, whose sustained coverage and constructive engagement have played an invaluable role in promoting the sport, increasing public awareness, and bringing the excitement and heritage of horse racing to a wider audience. The Club greatly values this longstanding partnership and looks forward to its continued support.

The Mysore Race Club Ltd. extends its best wishes to all participants and looks forward to the wholehearted cooperation of the racing fraternity and the public in making the **Mysore Winter Races 2026-27** a memorable, successful and distinguished racing season.

Mysuru, 23 November 2026