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Ban on FMSCI president overturned

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The Indian Motor Sport Appellate Committee (IMSAC) overturned a ban imposed on J. Prithviraj, the FMSCI president, from officiating in national championships following the death of three trespassing motorists during the Rally of Jodhpur last year.

A release from the Coimbatore Auto Sports Club, said the IMSAC has upheld his appeal, declaring the ban imposed on Prithviraj was violative of all principles of natural justice.

"He was not put on sufficient notice before imposing (such a) major punishment," the release, quoting the order, declared, absolving him of any lapses while organising the rally. Prithviraj was not even given an opportunity to defend himself and his indictment was announced.

"I am glad that justice has prevailed," a relieved Prithviraj said.

"As COC of the Rally, I had taken all the required precautions," he added.