**Karun Nair to lead Mysore Warriors team for Maharaja Trophy T20 Tournament**

**~ *The T20 tournament is scheduled to take place from 7th to 26th August at Mysore and Bangalore* ~**

**Mysuru, 02 August 2022:** Mysore Warriors sponsored by Cycle Pure Agarbathi announces **Karun Nair** as its team captain who will be leading the **Mysore Warriors** team for Maharaja Trophy (Formerly known as Karnataka Premier League) for the T20 tournament. **Karun Nair** was proposed as the team captain by Mysore Warriors management following the selection process. The announcement took place on **30th July 2022,** during the team selection ceremony held at **The Karnataka State Cricket Association. M. Chinnaswamy Stadium.**

The 30-year-old prolific batsman began his batting career with his international debut on India's limited-overs tour of Zimbabwe where he featured in a couple of ODIs. After Virender Sehwag, Karun Nair became only India's second triple-centurion when he accomplished the feat against England in his second Test match in 2016.

Speaking on the captain selection, **Mr. Arjun Ranga, Managing Director, Cycle Pure Agarbathi,** says, *“The amount of effort that will go in the team training will be enormous. He must maintain his physical fitness and agility. The captaincy will bring a challenging opportunity for* ***Nair*** *and his dedication and efforts will only add value to the team. His leadership role will strengthen the team position in the game and as we have immense hope for the team this year, his captaincy will only take the team to new heights.”*

Speaking on his captaincy, **Karun Nair, Team Captain, Mysore Warriors, says**, “I am humbled with this responsibility, I have played for the country and now it is time for me to bring the experience to the team and nurture some good players. This is my second year of captaincy with the Mysore Warriors, and I am positive that we are going to make everyone proud.”

**Mysore Warriors Squad:** Karun Nair, Shreyas Gopal, Pavan Deshpande, Vidhyadhar Patil, Nihal Ullal, Prateek Jain, Bharat Dhuri, Cheeranjivi, Shubang Hegde, Lochan Appanna, Shivaraj, Monish Reddy, Varun Rao, Rahul Prasanna, Nithin Bille, Aditya Goyal, Abhishek Alawat, Naga Bharath, Arun K and Tushar H.

**Mr. P. V Shashikant** has been appointed as the head coach of the team.

The team consists of **KL Akshay as the Asst Coach, KL Ashwath** as **Selectors, T. Manjunath** as **Physiotherapist, Irfanullah Khan** as **Trainer** and **Kiran K** as **Video Analysts** respectively.

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