

**RECOGNITION AND REWARD PANEL REVIEW -**

**DAVIS CUP TIE IND VS NZL HELD AT PUNE**

AITA is extremely happy to announce that Davis Cup tie - IND vs NZL held in Pune has been awarded above group standard rating by R&R panel of ITF.

AITA would like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the entire team of MSLTA and everyone who were involved with the conduct of this tie and for earning this award. We do sincerely hope that MSLTA will keep up the good work and continue to host all the tournaments in future with same amount of zeal and enthusiasm.

Please find below the comments by ITF

**The Recognition and Reward (R&R) Panel met last week to review the February and April ties and they agreed on the below for AITA:**

**Davis Cup Zone Group I 1<sup>st</sup> Round v New Zealand  
Rating: Above Group Standard**

The Panel could see that both the [Maharashtra State Lawn Tennis Association](#) and the town of Pune relished the opportunity to host this 1<sup>st</sup> round Davis Cup tie against New Zealand, and worked hard to put on a spectator and player-friendly event which ultimately proved very successful. They understood that a considerable amount of time and money was invested in the promotion of the event and also observed the efforts to involve and endorse the local community with the initiatives such as the children's clinics with free gifts and refreshments, and transporting players in chariots to the Draw. Therefore, whilst they were not surprised that the stadium was almost at full capacity each day because of these efforts, they felt it was also worth noting that you also enjoyed the highest attended tie of this round. The Panel feels that there is scope for improvement in the general presentation of the tie on site and also in the consistency of using Show Your Colours branding in the promotional materials, but felt a grade of Above Group Standard was thoroughly deserved.