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| **DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING** |  | LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | | | |  | W B F CONVENTION CARD |
| **OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)** | **OPENING LEADS STYLE** | | | | | |  |
| 7-16(17) generally good lead directing suits 1 level, 2 3 levels are pre-emptive in nature. |  | | Lead | | In Partner’s Suit | | **CATEGORY: NATURAL GREEN:** |
| Responses: cue bids show 10 HCP plus strength with trump fits can be less, jump raises mixed, jump in new suits are fit bids. 2NT shows 4 trumps and 10 plus HCP on overcall. | Suit | | 3rd /5th | | Attitude lead or giving actual count | | **NCBO: INDIA** |
| Against opponents playing standard 1LEVEL bids we play Michaels cue bids. Against opponents 1minor our 2NT is other minor plus an unspecified major at least 5-5 with huge playing potential. | NT | | 2nd /4th | | Attitude lead or giving actual count | | **PLAYERS: SUBRATA SAHA SUKAMAL DAS** |
|  | Subsequent | | 2nd /4th | | 2nd /4th | | EVENT All BFI/WBF TOURNAMENTS |
| Against opponent’s strong club we play C RO at 1 level. | Other: Q FROM always KQT9/+, 9 from H98X or J9XX | | | | | |  |
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| **1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)** | LEADS | | | | | | SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| 15-18 with all systems ON | Lead | | Vs. Suit | | Vs. NT | |
| 4TH HAND IS 11-15, 2C is zone check cum stay-man and all 2 /4 level transfers. | Ace | | AKX/X, | | AKX+ asks UNBLOCK OR COUNT | | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| Against opponent’s weak 2H/2S 2N is natural 15-18.Responses are 3C-regular stayman,3D transfer in other major,3H/S clubs and diamonds with game value. | King | | AK or KQX/X/XX | | ATTITUDE | | 5 Card Majors 1st,2nd,4th.In 3rd seat 4 card M common even 3 cards minors can be bid over bad 4/5 cards M for lead direction purpose. |
| Unusual 2NT shows minors. | Queen | | QX,QJX,QJTX, KQT9,Q | | Attitude/overtake from HX OR UNBLOCK jack only | | 2/1 100% GF even minors rebids are. |
|  | Jack | | J,JX,AJTX/X,KJTX | | Attitude/overtake from HX | | 1M-1N forcing especially when partner is alive. |
| **JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)** | 10 | | 10,10X,HT9X,T98X | | Attitude/overtake from HX/X | | Avoid 8 looser balanced hand 1st/2nd seats especially when vulnerable. |
| 4th position jump overcall is good hand with 14-16 AND good six carder suit. All direct jump overcalls are pre-emptive in nature. | 9 | | H98X,9,J9XX | | Attitude | | We frequently upgrade/downgrade out hands and bid accordingly. |
|  | Hi-X | | even | |  | |  |
|  | Lo-X | | odd | |  | |  |
| Reopen: | SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | | | |  |
| **DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)** |  | Partner’s Lead | | Declarer’s Lead | | Discarding | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |
| 4th position jump overcall is good hand with 14-16 AND good six carder suit. All direct jump overcalls are pre-emptive in nature. | 1 | LOW enc except opening A lead against suit standard attitude only | | Neutral or count in compelling situations | | UDCA | Against our 1club opening response of 2D is 2 way. Either limit  raise in clubs or 4S+5H opening hand. |
| Against opponents 2 level/3 level pre-empts we play leaping and non leaping Michaels. But over 2H/3H pre-empt by opponents 4H is longer spade plus unspecified minor. | Suit 2 | Low enc/SPS | | UDCA | | STD SPS | Jump bids by a passed- hand are fit showing. |
|  | 3 | REMAINING COUNT | | UDCA | | UDCA | 1nt can be with 5/6 CARDS in M/m even off-shape possible. |
|  | 1 | LOW ENC | | LOW smith, low card  In other suit means smith +ve in void situation | | UDCA | Our 2D OPENING is weak Hearts or Spades. |
| **VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)** | NT 2 | LOW ENC | | Reverse count | | UDCA | Our 2H/2S OPENINGs are opening hand 10-13 with six carder suits. |
| Direct seat against strong 1NT: 2 level –WOOLSEY | 3 | SPS | | Remaining SPS | | UDCA |  |
| 3 level: 3C-C+ any M,3D-D+ANY M,3H-BM,3S-Bm | Signals (including Trumps): LOW-HIGH neutral or lower ranking preference, Hi-low indicates higher ranking suit preference. | | | | | | Over opponents minor 2nt shows other minor plus an unspecified |
| Balancing seat: 2 levels, x 12+, other 2 level bids r DONT. 2NT pre-empt in any suit. |  | | | | | | Major min 5-5 distribution and good hand. |
| 3 level: 3C-C+ any M,3D-D+ANY M,3H-BM,3S-Bm |  | | | | | |  |
|  | DOUBLES | | | | | |  |
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| **VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)** | **TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)** | | | | | |  |
| Against opponents 2 level/3 level pre-empts we play leaping and non leaping Michaels | Light x with shape under compelling situations, otherwise sound. | | | | | |  |
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| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣ |  | | | | | | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| Against strong 1 club our X=BMs, 1nt-Bms, all bids natural. | SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS | | | | | | In competitive 4/5 level bids by opponent pass shows better hand. |
|  | Snap dragon x, support x, xx up to 2diamond, maximal x, game try x etc. | | | | | |  |
|  | Splinter x in nv named suit, in vul lower ranking. | | | | | |  |
| OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE |  | | | | | | IMPORTANT NOTES |
| Xx strength, jump suit fit showing. Against out 1M OPENING AND OPPONENT’s t/o x we play transfers up to 2S level. |  | | | | | |  |
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**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**

RKC: We use 4c/4d/4n for rkc in C/D/H/S respectively.

King Ask: For clubs/diamonds are 5d/5h respectively, responder shows king up the line.

4s is always queen ask for club RKC and 5c for D RKC.

Responses of void over RKC are: 5n - 1 key card + a void, 6c- 2key+ a void, 6D 2k+q or 3 key and a useful void.

Over opponents’ interference before responding to RKC WE PLAY

pass=1ST STEP of RKC Response i.e. 1 or 4, X=2nd step or 3/0, Opponent’s bid+1= 3rd step, Opponent’s bid+2= 4th step and so on.

**Annexure A:**

**Major openings some bids**

**Over 1H - 2S bid shows mini (8-10) or maxi (16+) SPLINTER.**

**Over 1H – 3S/4C/4D are normal splinters (11-15).**

**Over 1H -3c is limit raise, 3d is mixed raise (Reverse Bergen)**

**Over 1S – 3C is either mixed raise with 4 trumps or LR with a minor shortness.**

**Illustration: 1S-3C**

**3D (Relay) - 3H SOWS LR HAND WITH m shortness, 3s sows mixed raise.**

**Over 1S – 3D is BALANCED LR hands.**

**1S-3H (shows ambiguous splinter)**

**3S relay -3nt says splinter with 16+, 4C/4D/4H are named splinters with 11-15 range.**

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| **OPENING** | **TICK IF**  **ARTIFICIAL** | **MIN. NO. OF CARDS** | **NEG.DBL THRU** |  | | | |
| **DESCRIPTION** | **RESPONSES** | **SUBSEQUENT ACTION** | **COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING** |
| 1♣ |  | 3 | 3S | With 3 cards C and 3 cards D always opens 1c irrespective of the Hons holding 1st/2nd and 4th seat. 3rd SEAT is bidder's discretion. | 1 d over 1c can be 2+ cards for wk hand where 1nt can’t be bid. 1c-1M (4+ cards forcing). 1C-2C-INV minor FG.1C-2N exactly 11. 1c-3n to play.1c-2d is 10-11 and 4/5 c. 1c-2h/s shows 5+s,4+h 6-8 and 9-11 resply.1c-3c is mixed raise.1c-1n is 8-10 and frequently bypasses 1d response with 4 or more d but balanced hand. | 2 way check back. Retransfers on a 1m-1M-2NT SEQ. 1C- X-3C SHOWS mixed to pre-empt range. 1c-x -2nt is limit raise. 1c -1n-2n is balanced 18 19 3nt is long clubs source of trick oriented. | 1c-2c with a passed hand shows 10-11.1c-2d/2h/2s is same as unpassed hand bidding. 1C-WK2 by opp-2n is puppet to 3c, and then advancer passes/corrects to a suit which is weak, free 3c raise over w2 promises LR strength. |
| 1♦ |  | 3 | 4C | In majority of the cases no of d are 4. | 1D-1M (4+ cards forcing). 1D-2D-INV minor FG.1D-2N exactly 11. 1D-3n to play.1D-3C is 10-11 and 4/5 D. 1D-2h/s shows 5+s,4+h 6-8 and 9-11 resply.1D-3D is mixed raise.1d-1n is 6-10. !! Since we are playing 2d weak in a major our 1d opening can be shredded ie 9/ 10 hcp possible with a nice shape. | 2 way check back. Retransfers on a 1m-1M-2NT SEQ. 1d- X-3d SHOWS mixed to pre-empt range.1D-x -2nt is limit raise. 1d -1n-2n is balanced 18 19, 3nt is long D source of trick oriented. | 1D-2D with a passed hand shows 10-11.1D-2h/2s/3C is same as unpassed hand bidding.1D-WK2 by opp-2n is puppet to 3c, then advancer passes/corrects to a suit which is weak, free 3D raise over w2 promises LR strength. |
| 1♥ |  | 5 | 4D | 3rd seat number of cards can be 4.Light opening possible 3rd seat, Rule 20 distributional opening all other seats. | 1h-1s is "THREE+" spade, unconditionally forcing, 2/1 natural 4+ gf,1h-2n natural GF.1H-3S is unspecified splinter + opening hand.1h-3n/4c/4d are void splinters.1h-2h is 8-10,reverse Bergen. 1h-3h is pre-empt. After x or in competition 3h is mixed raise. | 1h-1n is forcing, but 1h-1n-3c is puppet to 3d.then opener's bids r as follows: 3h-6+H,18+.3N is 5h/4c 18+,4c is 18+ 5-5 h/c. | 2c and 2d by a passed hand are 3 cards/4 cards drury. Jump in a new suit=fit raise. Simple raise = 6-8. For Details see Annexure A. |
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| 1♠ |  | 5 | 4D | 3rd seat number of cards can be 4.Light opening possible 3rd seat, Rule 20 distributional opening all other seats. | 1h-1N is semi forcing up to 11 possible. 2/1 natural 4+ gf,1h-2n natural GF.1S-3H is unspecified splinter + opening hand.1S-4c/4d/4H are void splinters.1S-2S is 8-10,reverse Bergen. 1S-3S is pre-empt. After x or in competition 3S is mixed raise. | 1S-1n is forcing, but 1S-1n-3c is puppet to 3d.then opener's bids r as follows: 3h-5S,4H,18+.3N is 5S/4c 18+,4c is 18+ 5-5 S/c. | 2c and 2d by a passed hand are 3 cards/4 cards drury. Jump in a new suit=fit raise. Simple raise = 6-8. For Details see Annexure A. |
| INT |  |  |  | 14+ (15) TO 17 Can have 5 M, 6m. Off shape possible with stiff K or q. | 1n-2c-stayman, 2d-2h are xfers to h/s.1n-2s/2n are xfers to C AND D resply. 1n-4c/4d are transfers to H/S resply. 1n-4h/4s are to play. Over interference at 2 levels lebensohl and over 3 level interference bid shows invitational in the bid suit.1n-3c is both m 5-5 weak,1n-3d IS BOTH M gf. Over 1n-2c-2d responses 2h is BSO, SMOLEN AND REVERSE SMOLEN are avl. | over opponent's conventional x on 1nt, all system on. After 1n-2c-2d resp, 2s is further query (2n=5c,3c=5d,3d is 3-3-4-3,3h/3s is both m 4 + BM 3,3N=4C). After 1n-2c-2h response,2s seeks further distribution. 2n is 5c/4h,3c is 4h/5d,3d is 4h/4d, 3h is 3-4-3-3, 3s is 4-4-h/s,3n is 4h/4c. --> see right | After 1n-2c-2s response,3c is further query. |
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| 2♣ |  |  |  | 22+ hcp or 9+ playing tricks or less than 4 looser hand | Kokish relay, 2d is waiting NO BUST. Any major suit bid over 2c is a decent 5+ cards and 8+ hcp.Following are interesting weak hand sequences with minors we play:\* a) 2c-2n-shows 0-2 hcp 6+C or positive hand with C b) 2c-3c shows 0-2 hcp hand with 6+D OR positive hand with D. | \*under the \* marked sequences in left column if 2c bidder bids just 3c or 3d for (a), c) and (b), d) respectively responder is bound to PASS. For a) and c) if the 2c bidder bids 4C responder is to bid slam with possession of q C in a) and possession of k c in c), else sign off at 5c. For b) and d) if the 2c bidder bids 4D responder is to bid slam with possession of q D in b) and possession of k D in d), else sign off at 5D. For a) and c) if the 2c bidder bids 4C responder is to bid slam with possession of q C in a) and possession of k c in c), else sign off at 5c. | After a 2C BID and relay sequence, e.g. 2C-2D-3N or 2c-2d-2h-2s-3N which shows 25-26 and 27-29 respectively, following are the subsequent bids: 4c both majors 5-5,4D/4H transfers to H AND S respectively.  Another important seq:  2C-2D-3H shows any 4-4-4-1 SHAPE. Responder bids 3s to know the singleton(openers bids below the singleton to reply).Now if the responder bids the singleton he asks the total controls of opener: Replies are  1st step-7,2nd 8,3rd -9,4th -10, and so on. |
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| 2♦ | Artificial | 6 |  | Weak H/S | 2H resp is p/c. 2s is playable upto 3h,2n is strong relay. 2D- 4C ASKS to transfer the major, 4d asks to bid the major, 4H/4S OWN suit, | Over 2n-3c= good hand with h,3d-good hand with spade,3h/3s poor hand with named suit. | ON 2D- 3H/3S is own suit 14-16 HCP. 4H/4S to play. If opponent bids 3c/3d on 2D -3H/3S pass/correct. |
| 2♥ |  | 6 |  | 10-13 with six card suit. | New suit at same level natural forcing. 2H-3H or 2H-x- 3H is raise with value but never game force. 2N over 2H is relay. Any x by responder after opponent bids at any level is absolute penalty. 3 level bid by responder of wk 2H bidder after t/o x BY HIS RHO is lead directing with tolerance in H. | Responses of 2H BIDDER by his ptr's new suit bid at 2 /3 level is as follows: a) simple raise shows 3 card b) any other suit bid is 3 card support plus shortness in the named suit bid. c) 3H rebid shows less than doubleton support. d) 2N /3N means exactly doubleton support xx or hx. After 2n relay 2H BIDDER responds as shown right. | Passed hand bidder DEPLOYS same techniques as described in Responses column.  2M-2N-3C-min may hv singleton. 3d RELAY -3H shows club stiff,3s shows d stiff,3n OM stiff, 4h no stiff.  Direct 3D shows max no stiff 3h/3s/3n same response. |
| 2♠ |  | 6 |  | 10-13 with six card suit. | New suit at same level natural forcing. 2S-3S or 2S-x- 3S is raise with value but never game force. 2N over 2S is relay. Any x by responder after opponent bids at any level is absolute penalty. 3 level bid by responder of wk 2S bidder after t/o x BY HIS RHO is lead directing with tolerance in S. | Responses of 2S BIDDER by his ptr's new suit bid at 2 /3 level is as follows: a) simple raise shows 3 card b) any other suit bid is 3 card support plus shortness in the named suit bid. c) 3S rebid shows less than doubleton support. d) 2N /3N means exactly doubleton support xx or hx. After 2n relay 2S BIDDER responds as shown right. | Passed hand bidder DEPLOYS same techniques as described in Responses column.  . 2M-2N-3C-min may hv singleton. 3d RELAY -3H shows club stiff,3s shows d stiff,3n OM stiff, 4h no stiff.  Direct 3D shows max no stiff 3h/3s/3n same response |
| 2NT |  |  |  | 19+(20) TO 21 generally balanced, can have 5M or 6m. | PUPPET stayman, 3D/3H/3S/4C are transfers to H/S/C/D. 2NT-3NT shows 5S+4H and game value.  Important 2nt -3c-3H DENIES MAJOR. | over 2n-3C-3D-4C by advancer=4 card BOTH M SLAMISH,4D by advancer BOTH M Game only. 2n-3c-3H 4c SHOWS 5-5 BM slamish,4d=5-5 both M game-ish. After a 3 level transfer and new suit bid at 4 level shows 5-5 or more in 2 suits. If no trumper bids above the 4 of major he is showing preference for the minor. | 2N-3C-3H SHOWS NO MAJOR.  3S is relay for minor distribution.  3n shows 5c,4c – 5d, 4d – 4 CARDS D.4H/S BM 3+ 4-4 in minors. 4n shows 4 cards clubs. |
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| 3♣ | 6 |  |  | Wide range pre-emption. | New suit forcing,3n to play,4h/4s to play.4 Om(other minor is roman ask). Any x after intervention is absolute penalty. | Over new suit by his ptr pre-emptor rebids his own suit in case of less than xx SUPPORT, bids 3nt to show xx or hx SUPPORT, raises with 3 card support or bids stiff if he has got one alongwith 3 card support. |  |
| 3♦ | 6 |  |  | Wide range pre-emption. | New suit forcing,3n to play,4h/4s to play.4 Om(other minor is roman ask). Any x after intervention is absolute penalty. | Over new suit by his ptr pre-emptor rebids his own suit in case of less than xx SUPPORT, bids 3nt to show xx or Hx SUPPORT, raises with 3 card support or bids stiff if he has got one along with 3 card support. |  |
| 3♥ | 7 |  |  | Wide range pre-emption. | 3NT to play, 4 of a minor is roman ask. | Over 3s by his partner pre-emptor rebids his own suit in case of less than xx SUPPORT, bids 3nt to show xx or H x SUPPORT, raises with 3 card support or bids stiff if he has got one along with 3 card support. |  |
| 3♠ | 7 |  |  | Wide range pre-emption | 3NT to play, 4 of a minor is roman ask. | Over 3S, 4H is natural. |  |
| 3NT | 7 |  |  | Gambling with a solid minor in 1-2-3 seats, 4th position to play. | 4d is stiff ask,  4n is length query. | over 4D-4h/4s/5m stiffs are H/S and other minor, 4n denies any stiff. Over 3nt-4n- 3nt is to bid LS OR GS with 7/8 cards in the minors respectively. |  |
| 4♣ | 8 |  |  | Natural |  |  |  |
| 4♦ | 8 |  |  | Natural |  |  |  |
| 4♥ | 7 |  |  | to play, less defence |  |  |  |
| 4♠ | 7 |  |  | to play, less defence |  |  |  |
| 4NT |  |  |  | SPECIFIC Ace ask | 5c- no A,5d/5h/5s/6c named A,5nt-2 A |  |  |
| 5♣ | 8 |  |  | To play |  |  | |
| 5♦ | 8 |  |  | To play |  |  | |