

HISTORIC CROSSOVER MERGER FROM IFBB/IBFF GROUP TO WBPB/IBBF, MUMBAI DISTRICT AND SUBURBAN ASSOCIATIONS UNITE UNDER ONE BANNER.



A. DIGNITARIES PRESENT

1. Hon. Shri Gajanan Kirtikar – Ex-MP and Ex-Cabinet Minister
2. Shri Amol Kirtikar – Leader, UBT Shiv Sena
3. Shri Chetan Pathare – Secretary General, WBPB & IBBF
4. Adv. Vikram Rothe – Executive Assistant to the WBPB President
5. Shri Madhukar Talwalkar - Ex President of IBBF and MBBA
6. Shri Ajay Khanvilkar – President, Greater Bombay Bodybuilders Association
7. Shri Manohar Panchal – President, District Bodybuilders and Fitness Association, Mumbai
8. Shri Rajendra Chavan – General Secretary, Maharashtra Bodybuilding Association
9. Shri Sharad Marne – Executive Director, Maharashtra Bodybuilding Association
10. Smt. Kitty Fonseca – President, Mumbai Suburban Bodybuilding and Fitness Association
11. Shri Manish Advilkar – President, District Bodybuilders Association, Mumbai
12. Shri Motiram Keni – Bodybuilding and Physique Association, Mumbai

B. DISCUSSED AND RESOLVED

1. Unification:

All the Associations unanimously decided to work together under the banner of the World Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Federation (WBPB), Indian Body Builders Federation (IBBF), and Maharashtra Bodybuilding Association, thereby bringing the bodybuilding fraternity in Mumbai under one unified structure.

2. Affiliation:

For administrative convenience and legal purposes, only the following two Associations shall be granted affiliation under the Maharashtra Bodybuilding Association:

- a. Greater Bombay Bodybuilders Association
- b. Mumbai Suburban Bodybuilding and Fitness Association

3. Best Wishes and Welcome:

Shri Swamy Ramesh Kumar, President, Indian Body Builders Federation (IBBF), extended his best wishes on this historic unification and warmly welcomed all the officials and Associations into the IBBF family.

4. Sponsorship Announcement:

- a. Hon. Shri Gajanan Kirtikar announced a sponsorship of ₹40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs only) for conducting the Mr. Maharashtra Championship this year in Mumbai.
- b. Shri Madhukar Talwalkar pledged a sponsorship of ₹5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only) towards the Mr. Maharashtra Championship.

5. Future Events:

Hon. Shri Gajanan Kirtikar reiterated his commitment to supporting and conducting an International Bodybuilding and Physique Sports event in India in the near future.

6. Appreciation:

All members unanimously lauded and appreciated the dedicated efforts of Shri Ajay Khanvilkar and Shri Rajesh Sawant for their hard work, commitment, and sincere efforts in bringing all the Associations together and facilitating this historic merger and unification of the bodybuilding fraternity.

C. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded on a positive and united note, with all representatives expressing their commitment to work collectively for the development, promotion, and growth of bodybuilding and physique sports in Mumbai, Maharashtra, and India under the unified banner of WBPF and IBBF.

The merger marks a historic new beginning, bringing the Associations together in the spirit of unity, cooperation, and the common objective of strengthening the sport and providing greater opportunities for athletes.