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**31<sup>st</sup> G.D. Birla Memorial**  
**Masters Inter-Club Badminton Tournament**  
**4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 & 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2025**

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# OPEN EVENTS OPEN (INDIVIDUAL) EVENTS

## Consent for Participation

Consent must be obtained from each player to avoid duplication of participation from any other Club/Gymkhana.

## Eligibility & Participation

- a. The tournament is open to all Clubs/Gymkhanas affiliated with districts of Mumbai. However, the tournament committee reserves the right to allow other entities.
- b. Only bona fide members with a standing of more than six months shall be eligible to play for their Club/Gymkhana.
  - Players must carry their Club/Gymkhana membership card and produce it on demand.
  - In the Team Championship, each team can have no more than one playing member, who can participate in only one event.
  - No professionals shall be allowed. Disciplinary action will be taken against players or clubs providing false declarations.
- c. Players must carry proof of age (Passport, Driving License, Aadhaar, PAN Card) and produce it on demand.
- d. Players who have defaulted on game fee payments from previous years will not be permitted to participate in individual or team events.
- e. For Open/Individual Events, players from the following districts are allowed: Navi Mumbai, Thane, Raigad, Palghar, Pune, Greater Mumbai, and Mumbai Suburban.

## Minimum Entries Requirement

A minimum of six entries per event is required. Otherwise, the event may be cancelled at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

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#### 4. Entry Fee Policy

Teams/Players/Pairs who have unpaid entry fees (past or present) will not be allowed to play.

#### Scheduling Rights

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to fix/modify schedules, dates, courts, and match formats.

#### Age Qualification

##### Combined Age of Partners

Men's Combinations: Minimum age of individual players to be 35 years.

Men's Combination 85+ : Minimum age of the individual players should be 35 years

Men's Single and Women's Singles 45+ : Min age of the participant should be 45 and above

Men's Double 45+: The age of both the participants should be 45 and above

Men's Combination 110+: Minimum age of individual players to be 50+ years.

Uni Doubles: Open to all types of combinations.

If two men are paired: The combined age of the pair must be 120+, with the minimum age of each male player being 55+.

If two women are paired: Both women must be 40+ years. Their total age is not relevant.

If it's a Mixed Doubles (XD) pair: The male must be 55+ years, and the female must be 45+ years. Their total age is not relevant.

Women's Combination 75+: One player must be 35+ years, and the other must be 40+ years.

Mixed Combination 80+: The female player must be 35+ years, and the male player must be 45+ years.

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# TEAM EVENT MASTERS INTER CLUB TEAM EVENT

## Match Procedures

The names of team players must be submitted 15 minutes before the match.  
No changes will be entertained thereafter.

The order of play will be determined by a toss of a coin between the two captains  
10 minutes before the match.

The captain winning the toss will decide the match sequence from the following combinations:

- Doubles 90+
- Doubles 100+
- Doubles 110+

(Combined age of both partners; minimum individual age: 40 years as of March 31, 2025)

## Knockout Stage

No further matches will be played once a team has secured a winning lead.

## Trophy Handling

The winning Club/Gymkhana will hold the Trophy until the next competition.  
The Trophy will be given to the Hon. Secretary of the winning Club/Gymkhana,  
who must return it (duly polished) before the next competition.  
Any loss or damage to the Trophy must be compensated.

## Match Format

**Team Championship:** Played in PBL format (Best of 3 games of 15 points, no extension)  
until the quarterfinals.

Semifinals & Finals (Team Championship): Best of 3 games, 21 points per game.

**Open Tournament:** Until quarterfinals: One game of 30 points (no extension).

Semifinals & Finals: Best of 3 games, 21 points per game.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to finalize the match format.

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# Additional Rules

Age Consideration: Age of players will be considered as of 31 March, 2025.

Participation Limit: One player can participate in a maximum of three categories (apart from the Team Event).

Age groups are calculated as of March 31, 2025:

40+: Born on or before March 31, 1985 (For 75+ Women's Combination partner eligibility).

45+: Born on or before March 31, 1980 (For 80+ Mixed Combination male partner eligibility).

50+: Born on or before March 31, 1975.

55+: Born on or before March 31, 1970.

## Draw & Seeding

The draw and seeding will be released shortly and communicated via WhatsApp group and Email.

## Tournament Committee Authority

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without providing a reason.

## Dispute Resolution

In all matters of dispute, the Tournament Committee's decision shall be final & binding.  
Tournament Entry Guidelines

Organizing / Tournament Secretaries:

Ayaz Bilawala / Shailesh Daga

Entries are accepted only through Google Form.

**The last date of entry is 29th March before 6:00PM**

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