

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 9603 OF 2024

Shailesh Madhukar Thakur

...Petitioner

Versus

The Assistant Charity Commissioner IX & Ors.

...Respondents

Mr. Shrirang Katneshwarkar a/w Vivek Chauhan i/by Ganesh Gade
for the Petitioner.

Mr. Satish Kumar Pandey for Respondent No.19.

Ms. Gauri Jadhav 'A' Panel a/w Pratibha Gavhane, AGP for the State.

**CORAM : M.S. Sonak &
Advait M. Sethna, JJ.**

DATED : 10 October 2025

P.C.:-

1. Learned counsel for Respondent No.19 places on record a notice issued by Maharashtra Boxing Association in respect of a meeting scheduled to be held on 12 October 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at Nagpur. The two points on the agenda of this meeting read as follows:-

*"1. TO APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION OF HTE
MAHARASHTRA BOXING ASSOCIATION, ALIGNING WITH THE
LATEST CONSTITUTION OF THE BOXING FEDERATION OF
INDIA.*

2. TO DISCUSS & FINALIZE GENERAL ELECTION OF MAHARASHTRA BOXING ASSOCIATION.”

2. At least *prima facie* this is a welcome move on the part of the Maharashtra Boxing Association. The term of the earlier executive committee of the Maharashtra Boxing Association has ended on 29 December 2022. However, the earlier committee appears to be functioning as the ad hoc committee.

3. As the ad hoc committee, it was expected that expeditious steps are taken to hold elections. Instead, this ad hoc committee, has continued to cling to power without holding any elections for the last almost three years. This is, *prima facie*, quite unfortunate.

4. In any event, now that the Maharashtra Boxing Association is considering amendment to the constitution of the Maharashtra Boxing Association so as to align it with the latest constitution of the Boxing Federation of India, we defer passing any orders today. Besides, on 12 October 2025, the Maharashtra Boxing Association is also going to finalize the election schedule.

5. We sincerely expect that the decisions on the above two issues are taken in the meeting on 12 October 2025. There is a general tendency to cling to power without facing elections. Such tendency, deserves to be deprecated.

6. Accordingly, we list this matter on **14 October 2025**, on which date, the Maharashtra Boxing Association, which is now directed to be impleaded as a Respondent in this Petition it must apprise the

Court of the decisions taken in the meeting scheduled on 12 October 2025.

7. A copy of this order must be placed at the special general body meeting schedule on 12 October 2025 for the consideration of the Maharashtra Boxing Association and its members.

8. The amendment to the cause title by impleading the Maharashtra Boxing Association to be carried out forthwith. Re-verification is dispensed with.

9. Notice to the Maharashtra Boxing Association, returnable on **14 October 2025**.

10. All concerned must act on an authenticated copy of this order.

(Advait M. Sethna, J)

(M. S. Sonak, J.)