



GAMMAI

GLOBAL ASSOCIATION FOR
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS
INDIA

ABOUT GAMMA India

About GAMMA India

Formed in 2019, Global Association of Mixed Martial Arts India (GAMMA India) is a democratic, non-profit organization operating under the guidance of Global Association of Mixed Martial Arts (GAMMA).

Comprising of esteemed coaches and athletes who possess extensive expertise in the field of mixed martial arts (MMA), GAMMA India is committed to fostering the growth and advancement of MMA in India.

The primary objective of GAMMA India is to cultivate and promote local talent within the realm of MMA. Through various initiatives and programs, GAMMA India aims to nurture Indian MMA athletes, providing them with opportunities to excel in the sport.

Furthermore, GAMMA India endeavours to arrange and host MMA events within the country, serving as a platform for these athletes to showcase their skills on a larger scale.

One of the core concerns for GAMMA India is ensuring the safety of participants during competitions. To achieve this, GAMMA India prioritizes implementing measures and guidelines that enhance safety standards in all amateur MMA events held in India.

By establishing standardized rules and regulations, GAMMA India seeks to create a consistent and secure environment for MMA practitioners across the country.

GAMMA India is an organization that regulates and governs amateur & professional MMA fights in India

GAMMA India has a pan-India presence and is playing a significant role in shaping the sport of MMA in India. GAMMA India hosts high-profile events, showcasing top fighters, and offering substantial prize money to attract top talent. Overall, it aims to protect the integrity of the sport while promoting it to a broader audience.

GAMMA India: Mission Statement

- CREATE A PLATFORM TO DEVELOP A SUSTAINABLE CAREER FOR ALL YOUNG AND UPCOMING MMA ATHLETES.
- SHOWCASE THE YOUNG MMA PROSPECTS FROM THE COUNTRY AT A GLOBAL STAGE.
- CELEBRATE THE CORE MARTIAL ARTS VALUES OF INTEGRITY, HUMILITY, HONOR, RESPECT, COURAGE, DISCIPLINE, AND COMPASSION IN THE SAME SPIRIT OF THE OLYMPICS ON A GLOBAL STAGE.

Growth of MMA in India.

1. Data study reveals MMA as the fastest growing sport financially over the past five years.
2. According to ibis world, the martial arts industry made \$5 billion in total revenue in 2019, with 80,559 businesses. The MMA equipment market alone has reached \$565 million by Q4 2022.
3. Currently, about 35% of people who are interested in martial arts take MMA classes.
4. Mixed martial arts industry, both global & local, is currently targeting the world's fastest-growing major economy and second-most populous nation to fuel its expansion.
5. International MMA promoters, such as one championship & brave combat federation are among many scrambling to grab the India market.
6. Media houses are currently investing in the sport of MMA. Sony entertainment network is now airing UFC fights live, while Star Network has signed a contract with ONE Championship for both TV and digital streaming
7. MMA blogs have seen a massive growth in followers in the past 4 years. Blogs such as the MMA India show have gone from negligible following to now having 120,000 Facebook followers and more than 70,000 website views every month.
8. On the local scene a growing number of fight promotions are cropping up across the map of India. Major cities like Mumbai, Pune, Mysore, Hyderabad, Delhi and Bengaluru along with the northeastern states have seen several major events emerge on their sporting calendars.
9. High-profile national stars across various combat disciplines are now moving to MMA.

The Team – GAMMA India

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		
		
President	1st Vice president	Vice President
Jitendra Khare (Maharashtra)	Preksha Jhaveri (Gujarat)	Rupesh Matt (Karnataka)
		
Technical Head	General Secretary	Treasurer
Andrew Canday (Maharashtra)	Susovan Ghosh (West Bengal)	Devleena Ray (Uttar Pradesh)
		
	Joint Secretary	
	Ankur Patel (Karnataka)	

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By implementing a comprehensive and consistent training program, GAMMA India seeks to enhance the capabilities of MMA officials across the country. This will contribute to the smooth and fair conduct of fights, ensuring that athletes compete in a safe and regulated environment. The focus on continuous training and professional development reflects GAMMA India's dedication to maintaining high standards and adapting to the ever-changing landscape of MMA.

Certified Officials			
Name	Location	Judge	Referee
Devleena Ray Canday	Mumbai	International C	International C
Preksha Jhaveri	Mumbai	International C	
Siddharth Rao	Mysuru	C	C
Zishaan Khan	Mumbai	C	C
Raghavender Kotapati	Hyderabad	B	B
Gautam Panchariya	Karnataka	C	
Saiteja Malige	Hyderabad	C	
Supriya Kedar Angane	Mumbai	C	
Adarsh Achutananda	Bangalore	C	C
Y Ramesh Kiran	Bangalore	C	
Salim Patel	Mumbai	C	
Rupesh Math	Hyderabad	B	
Naina Mohammed M	Chennai	C	
Naresh Guthedar	Hyderabad	C	
Anjali Gupta	Mysuru	C	C
Raphael Rodrigues	Mumbai	C	
Hugai Raj	Chennai	C	C
M Manish Kumar	Hyderabad	B	B
Varun Bhat	Mumbai	C	
Sreerama Kasyap Ch	Hyderabad	C	
Hina Shah	Mumbai	B	C
Mallesh Podendla	Hyderabad	B	C
Vikrant Sampat Salve	Mumbai	C	
Abhijeet Sharad More	Mumbai	C	C

M Naresh	Hyderabad	C	
Sri Teja	Hyderabad	C	
Anil Ramagalla	Hyderabad	C	
G Varun	Hyderabad	B	B
M Santhosh Yadav	Hyderabad	C	
Mahadev Rotte	Hyderabad	C	C
Shen Longzen	Goa	C	
Mohan	Goa	C	
Sid (Artjuna)	Goa	C	C
Arbaz Khan Munnawar	Pune	C	
Sahil Sharma	Pune	C	
Palaash Mankodi	Mumbai	C	C
Sidharth Singh	Haryana	C	
Abhay Kapoor	Mumbai	C	
Deepak Patil	Mumbai	C	C

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

2019 MMA World championship, Singapore

Dates: 18 - 23 November, 2019

Location: Singapore

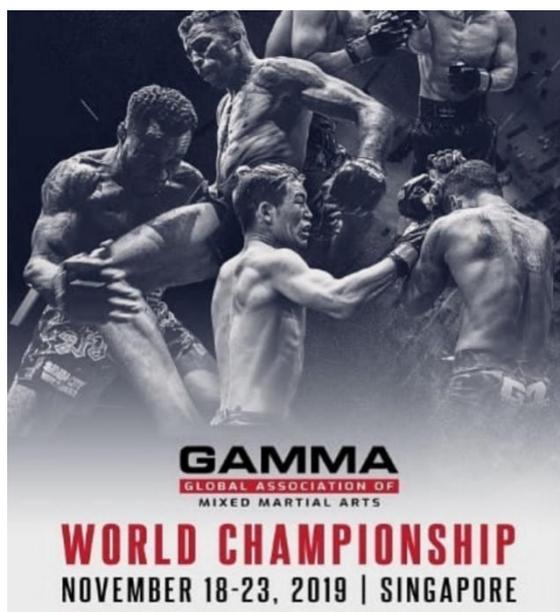
Selection Process for Athletes: Athletes were hand-picked from a pan-India list of International level athletes willing to represent India.

Team India participated in the inaugural GAMMA World Championship held in Singapore from the 18th to the 23rd of November.

Throughout the tournament, fans eagerly awaited updates on the athletes' performances. With their established reputation and impressive skills, the members of Team India aimed to showcase their talent, determination, and prowess on the global stage.

The World Championship provided them with a remarkable opportunity to make their mark and display their skills to a wider audience.

As the event unfolded, supporters closely followed the progress of Team India. The competition was an exhilarating showcase of talent, dedication, and sportsmanship, with each athlete striving to deliver their best performance. Fans stayed informed with exciting news and updates on the Indian athletes' achievements and performances as the tournament progressed.





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Name	Position	State
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Subhro Basu	Joint Secretary	Delhi
Susovan Ghosh	Assistant Coach	West Bengal

Team India Athletes:

Name	Weight Category	State
Akshata Khadtare	47.6 kg – Female	Maharashtra
Divya Nagraj	70.3 kg – Female	Karnataka
Priya Saini	52.2 kg– Female	New Delhi
Kiran Naik	70.3 kg– Female	Karnataka
Siddarth Trivedi	56.7 kg– Male	New Delhi
Syed Abu Nazzeur	77 kg – Male	Tamil Nadu
Mohit Tiwari	65.8 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Rayyan Butt	65.8 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Vijay Rajendran	61.6 kg – Male	Tamil Nadu
Nikunj Sharma	56.7 kg – Male	Punjab
Sumit Bhayan	70.3 kg – Male	Punjab
Abdul Lateef Shammass	77.1 kg – Male	Karnataka

Aditya Sanil	83.7 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Deep Balikanand	83.7 kg – Male	Goa
Charles PB	93 kg – Male	Karnataka
Vishnu Warriar	56.7 kg – Male	Kerala
Shivraj Basappa	52.2 kg – Male	Karnataka
Mandeep	52.2 kg – Male	Punjab
Sahil dahiya	93 kg – Male	Haryana

Medal Tally:

GAMMA India Team India delivered an awe-inspiring performance that left the audience amazed and conveyed a powerful message to the other teams. Despite being considered underdogs, we proved that we should not be underestimated.

In a remarkable achievement, GAMMA India Team India secured a total of 7 medals, consisting of 3 Silver and 4 Bronze medals. This outstanding feat showcased their talent, skill, and determination. Not only did the team make their mark on the competition, but they also left a lasting impression on the GAMMA officials and One Championship staff.

The team's success not only brought glory to India but also garnered appreciation and admiration from those involved in the event. The dedication and hard work displayed by GAMMA India Team India earned them the respect and admiration of both the officials and the staff, further solidifying their position as a force to be reckoned with in the world of MMA.

Their exceptional performance and the impact they made on the tournament will be remembered for years to come. Team India's achievements have not only showcased their individual talent but have also made a significant contribution to raising the profile of Indian MMA on an international level.

Name	Weight Category	Medal
Shivraj Basappa	52 kg MMA – Male	Silver
Sumit Bhayan	70.3 kg MMA – Male	Silver
Akshata Khadtare	47.6 kg MMA – Female	Bronze
Priya Saini	52.2 kg MMA – Female	Bronze

Kiran Naik	72 kg MMA – Female	Bronze
Divya Nagraj	72 kg MMA – Female	Bronze
Mandeep	52 kg MMA – Male	Bronze



Official's Certification

All officials of GAMMA India achieved a significant milestone by successfully completing the Referee and Judges course organized by GAMMA. This qualification enabled them to officiate at the esteemed 2019 GAMMA World Championship. Officiating an MMA fight is a demanding and technical role that necessitates sharp attention to detail.

Moving forward, GAMMA India is committed to ensuring that all MMA officials in India undergo a standardized training system. This initiative aims to keep them abreast of evolving trends in the sport and eliminate any uncertainties that may arise during upcoming tournaments in India.

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2021 Asian MMA championship, Kyrgyzstan

Dates: 24-28 August, 2021

Location: Cholpon-Ata, Kyrgyzstan

Selection Process for Athletes: GAMMA
India National Championship, 2021;
Bangalore.



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Jitendra Khare	Head Coach	Maharashtra
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Team India Athletes:

Name	Weight Category	State
Akshata Khadtare	47.6 kg – Female	Maharashtra
Harpreet Kaur	56.7 kg – Female	Haryana
Samata Sonavane	52.2 kg– Female	Maharashtra
Sanika Patil	56.7 kg– Females	Maharashtra
Longtsukumba Ao	77 kg – Male	Nagaland
Nietso Angami	70.3 kg – Male	Nagaland
Mairidin Newmai	65.8 kg – Male	Nagaland
Limasunep Imchen	61.6 kg – Male	Nagaland
Arsenba Ozukum	56.7 kg – Male	Nagaland
Sumit Bhayan	70.3 kg – Male	Punjab
Suyash Yadav	77.1 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Anurag Singh	83.7 kg – Male	Delhi
Sahil Dahiya	+83.7 kg – Male	Haryana
Vishnu Warriar	56.7 kg – Male	Kerala

Jowkhum Dilli	52.2 kg – Male	Manipur
Havish Reddy	52.2 kg – Male	Karnataka
Aaquib Javed	61.6 kg – Male	J & K



Team India also had an opportunity to meet the Ambassador of India to Kyrgyzstan Mr Alok Amitabh Dimri. He took time out in his busy day to meet and greet the athletes personally. He spoke to the athletes and motivated them for the upcoming championship and ensured them full support during their stay in Kyrgyzstan.



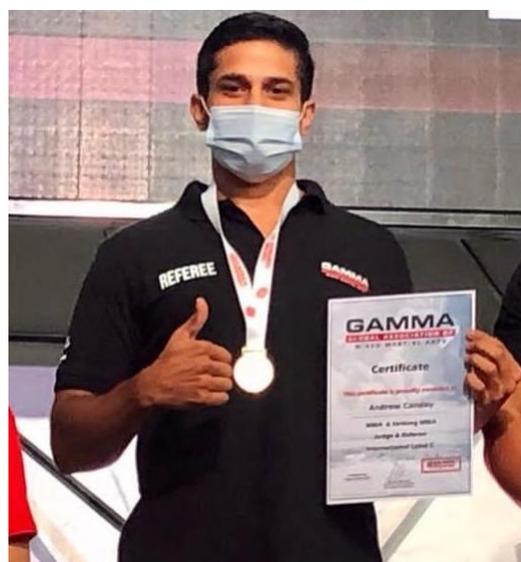
Medal Tally:

GAMMA India athletes performed admirably at the Asian Championship, picking up 18 medals overall. The individual medal tally is as below.

Name	Weight Category	Medal
Akshata Khadtare	47.6 kg MMA – Female	Gold
Harpreet Kaur	56.7 kg Striking MMA – Female	Gold
Akshata Khadtare	47.6 kg Striking MMA – Female	Silver
Samata Sonavane	52.2 kg MMA – Female	Silver
Harpreet Kaur	56.7 kg MMA – Female	Silver
Longtsukumba Ao	77 kg Striking MMA – Male	Silver
Nietso Angami	70.3 kg Striking MMA – Male	Silver

Sumit Bhayan	70.3 kg MMA – Male	Silver
Samata Sonavane	52.2 kg Striking MMA – Female	Bronze
Sanika Patil	56.7 kg MMA – Females	Bronze
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Anurag Singh	83.7 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Sahil Dahiya	+83.7 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Vishnu Warriar	56.7 kg Striking MMA – Male	Bronze
Jowkhum Dilli	52.2 kg Striking MMA – Male	Bronze
Havish Reddy	52.2 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Aaquib Javed	61.6 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Arsenba Ozukum	56.7 kg MMA – Male	Bronze

Also, Mr Andrew Canday became the only Indian official at the Asian Championship to be awarded and certified as an International level C - Judge and referee for MMA and Striking MMA.



Overall Result:

Team India secured the **3rd position out of 16 countries with 22 podium finishes** out of which GAMMA India athletes secured 18 medals.



Following their return to India, GAMMA India athletes were felicitated by the Honourable Sports Minister of Maharashtra, Sri Sunil Kedar at the Mantralaya

in Mumbai. The Honourable Sports Minister congratulated the team for their recent success at the Gamma Asian Championships



2022 World MMA championship, Amsterdam

Dates: 23 – 27 March, 2022

Location: Amsterdam

Selection Process for Athletes: GAMMA India National Championship, 2021; Mumbai.

The highly anticipated Amateur MMA flagship event was held over four days at the Sporthallen Zuid, where the world's best up-and-coming male and female MMA athletes from over 100 countries competed. The event showcased a remarkable display of talent, passion, and determination from these athletes.

Simultaneously, the GAMMA World Congress took place on 24 March at the renowned Olympic Hotel Amsterdam. Influential figures and stakeholders in the MMA community came together for discussions, collaborations, and the exchange of ideas to advance and promote the sport.

The combination of exhilarating fights and insightful discussions during the GAMMA World

Congress created an immersive experience for athletes, officials, and enthusiasts. It was an occasion to celebrate the incredible talents and potential of amateur MMA and foster a sense of camaraderie among the global MMA community.



Team India

A team of 13 talented athletes, accompanied by 5 dedicated officials, embarked on a journey to Amsterdam, Netherlands, to participate in the highly anticipated World Championship. Their mission was to showcase their skills, compete against the best athletes from around the globe, and leave an indelible mark on the international MMA stage.

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Susovan Ghosh	Assistant Coach	West Bengal
Andrew Canday	Technical Head	Maharashtra
Khriemelie Metha	Assistant Coach	Nagaland

Team India Athletes:

Name	Weight Category	State
Longtsukumba Ao	77 kg – Male	Nagaland
Sumit Bhayan	70.3 kg – Male	Punjab
Arsenba Ozukum	56.7 kg – Male	Nagaland
Pritesh Bhaviskar	61.2 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Limasunep Imchen	56.7 kg – Male	Nagaland
Joyray Peggu	52.2 kg – Male	Manipur
Mohit Tiwari	65.8 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Deepak Patil	+93 kg – Male	Maharashtra
Avizo Lanamai	65.8 kg – Male	Nagaland
Shahid Syed Hussain	52.2 kg – Male	Karnataka
Atul Hotkar	70.3 kg – Male	Karnataka
Samata Sonavane	52.2 kg – Female	Maharashtra
Aaquib Javed	61.6 kg – Male	J & K



Medal Tally

GAMMA World Championship saw India deliver its best performance to date, earning an impressive 6th position among the 40 plus countries in attendance. The tournament was filled with unexpected upsets, surprising victories, and a display of unwavering determination, as Team India demonstrated their courage, strength, and unity in the face of adversity.

The athletes represented their country with immense pride and determination, pushing themselves to their limits and showcasing their skills on the global stage. The coaches played a crucial role, guiding and motivating each athlete to give their best performance while maintaining a professional demeanour, both in victory and defeat.

Name	Weight Category	Medal
Arsenba Ozukum	56.7 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Shahid Syed Hussain	52.2 kg – Male	Bronze
Longtsukumba Ao	77 kg Striking MMA – Male	Silver

2022 Asian MMA championship, Pattaya - Thailand

Dates: 9 – 13 November, 2022

Location: Pattaya, Thailand

Selection Process for Athletes: GAMMA
India National Championship, 2022;
Hyderabad.



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Preksha Jhaveri	1 st VP	Gujarat
Andrew Canday	Technical Head	Maharashtra
Develeena Ray	Treasurer	Uttar Pradesh
Susovan Ghosh	Assistant Coach	West Bengal

Team India Athletes:

Name	Weight Category	State
Weshi Laki	52.2 kg - Male	Arunachal Pradesh
Nisham Sonam	56.7 kg - Male	Arunachal Pradesh
Prudhvi Katta	65.8 kg - Male	Karnataka
That Lomdik	52.2 kg - Male	Arunachal Pradesh
Satyam Pandey	56.7 kg - Male	Maharashtra
Diyo Rimo Matam	61.2 kg - Male	Arunachal Pradesh
Prashant Jha	65.8 kg - Male	Maharashtra
Vishal Konwer	70.3 kg - Male	Arunachal Pradesh
Sankar Prabu	77.1 kg - Male	Tamil Nadu
Thakur Jaidev Singh	83.92 kg - Male	Karnataka
Panduranga Sande	93 kg - Male	Karnataka

Pratik Shetty

77.1 kg - Male

Maharashtra

**Medal Tally:**

GAMMA India athletes performed admirably at the Asian Championship, picking up 9 medals overall. The individual medal tally is as below.

Name	Weight Category	Medal
Weshi Laki	52.2 kg MMA – Male	Silver
That Lomdik	52.2 kg Striking MMA – Male	Silver
Thakur Jaidev Singh	84.9 kg Striking MMA – Male	Silver
Tor Perme	61.2 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Diyo Rimo Matam	61.2 kg Striking MMA– Male	Bronze
Vishal Konwer	70.3 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Thakur Jaidev Singh	84.9 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Panduranga Sande	93 kg MMA – Male	Bronze
Panduranga Sande	93 kg Striking MMA – Male	Bronze



Overall Result:

Team India secured the **3rd position out of 11 countries** with GAMMA India athletes securing 9 medals.

Indian officials Devleena Canday and her husband Andrew became the very first GAMMA certified officiating couple after Devleena obtained her certification at the 2022 GAMMA Asian-Pacific Championships as the 1st ever internationally certified female judge and referee for MMA.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2021 National MMA championship, Bangalore

Date: 23 – 26 March, 2021

Location: Bangalore

Purpose: To select the athletes representing India at the Kyrgyzstan Asian MMA Championship.

Participants: This event saw almost 100 participants from all over the country. This being a major MMA event after the country reopened post-COVID lockdown there was a massive interest regarding this event.



Results:

Category	Gold	Silver	Bronze
52.2 kg Male	Havish Reddy	Joyraj Pegu	Tudu Kerobin Jowkhum Dilli
56.7 kg Male	Arsenba Ozukum	Vaibhav Barde	Kamlesh Bhatt Shahid Indikar
61.2 kg Male	Aaquib Javed	Vishnu Warriar	Abhishek Gowda Siddarth Ko
65.8 kg Male	Chourajit Laishram	Mairidin Newmai	Vishal Diman Naina Md.
70.3 kg Male	Sumit Bhayan	Neitso Angami	Rayyan Butt Naresh Kumar
77.1 kg Male	Suyash Jadhav	Rahul Johnson	Md Ali Pratik Shetty
83.9 kg Male	Sahil Dahiya	Anurag Singh	Anuj Verma Krishna Mohanty
93 kg Male	Ajit Negi	Aditya Sanil	Ranjodh Singh
47.6 kg Female	Akshata Khadtare	Sarita Rathod	
52.2 kg Female	Samata Sonavane	Ratna Dipti	

56.7 kg Female	Sanika Patil	Tharika M.	Tejaswini Nadedkar
61.2 kg Female	Kavyanjali D.		



Official's Seminar

During this event, a seminar was conducted by GAMMA India to certify officials as referees and judges. Over 20 aspiring officials attended this seminar. They were first taken through a theoretical session and then allowed to participate as officials during the 2 day event as referees and judges.

2021 National MMA championship, Mumbai

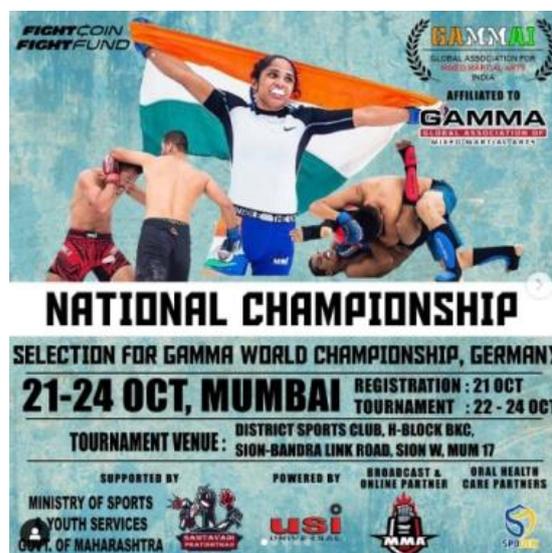
Date: 21 – 24 October, 2021

Location: Mumbai

Purpose: To select the athletes representing India at the 2022 World MMA Championship to be held at Amsterdam.

Participants: This event saw almost 100 participants from all over the country. Due to Mumbai being a centre of combat Sports activities, there were many local teams that participated.

This was also the first time that the brand new discipline of STRIKING MMA was introduced in India at a National event. Created by GAMMA as a viewer friendly version of MMA, this discipline generated a huge interest among the Indian MMA athletes.



Results: MMA

Category	Gold	Silver	Bronze
52.2 kg Male	Musharraf Khan	Shahid Syed	Shivraj Shinde
56.7 kg Male	Imchen Limasunep	Harsh Pandya	Aman Khan
61.2 kg Male	Aaquib Javed	Ethesham Ansari	Rupesh Yengade
65.8 kg Male	Neitso Angami	KS Meiti	Pawan Rao
70.3 kg Male	Mohit Tiwari	Atul Hotkar	Avizo Lanami
77.1 kg Male	Sanket Naikwade	Altaf Sharif	Areeb Gazali
83.9 kg Male	Sahil Dahiya	Anuj Varma	Niraj Waval
93 kg Male	Zubair Patel	Deepak Patil	

Results: Striking MMA

Category	Gold	Silver	Bronze
52.2 kg Male	Shahid Syed	Abuzar Choudhury	Toufeeq Md.
56.7 kg Male	Arsenba Ozukum	Marufalam Sk.	Md Islam Khan
61.2 kg Male	Aaquib Javed	Yaswant Gaud	Ahfaaz Jessani
65.8 kg Male	Naina Md.	Neitso Angami	Pawan Rao
70.3 kg Male	Atul Hotkar	Ranjhod Singh	Mohit Tiwari
77.1 kg Male	Neeraj MP	Praveen Nayak	
83.9 kg Male	Krishna Vamsi	Neeraj Waval	Anuj Verma
93 kg Male	Akash Bhagat	Peeyush Sharma	
+93 kg Male	Zaid Sk.	Deepak Patil	

The winners received gift vouchers from Power-storm wellness and Spoden.

Officials Seminar

GAMMA India also conducted its first 3 day Officials' certification programme during the National Championship in Mumbai. Day 1 was Theory (Online), Day 2 & 3 were Practical at the event

It was conducted by Andrew Canday and Jitendra Khare gave the participants a chance to officiate as an intern at the competition. It was approved by Mr Michael Wachter, the head of GAMMA official's team.



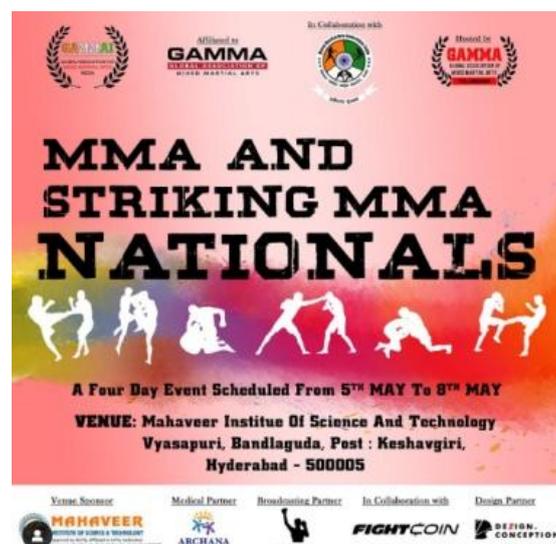
2022 National MMA championship, Hyderabad

Date: 5 – 8 May, 2022

Location: Hyderabad

Purpose: To select the athletes representing India at the Thailand Asian MMA Championship.

Participants: This event saw almost 100 participants from all over the country. Bouts were conducted in both MMA and Striking MMA.



Winners (MMA):

Category	Winner
52.2 kg Male	Phawa Echwidiao
56.7 kg Male	Tara Techi Karda
61.2 kg Male	Darren Kharshandy
65.8 kg Male	Prudhvi Katta
70.3 kg Male	J P Tushar
77.1 kg Male	Shuhaib K Mohammed
83.9 kg Male	Niraj Waval
93 kg Male	Varun G

Winners (Striking MMA):

Category	Winner
52.2 kg Male	That Lomdik
56.7 kg Male	Zubair Mohammed
61.2 kg Male	Rimo Matam Diyo
65.8 kg Male	Mohammed Naina
70.3 kg Male	Angel Debbarama
77.1 kg Male	Sankar Prabhu
83.9 kg Male	Singh Thakur Jaidev

93 kg Male	Pandu Ranga Sande
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National Championship 2023, Lucknow

Date: 28 – 30 January, 2023

Location: Lucknow, UP

Senior Nationals:

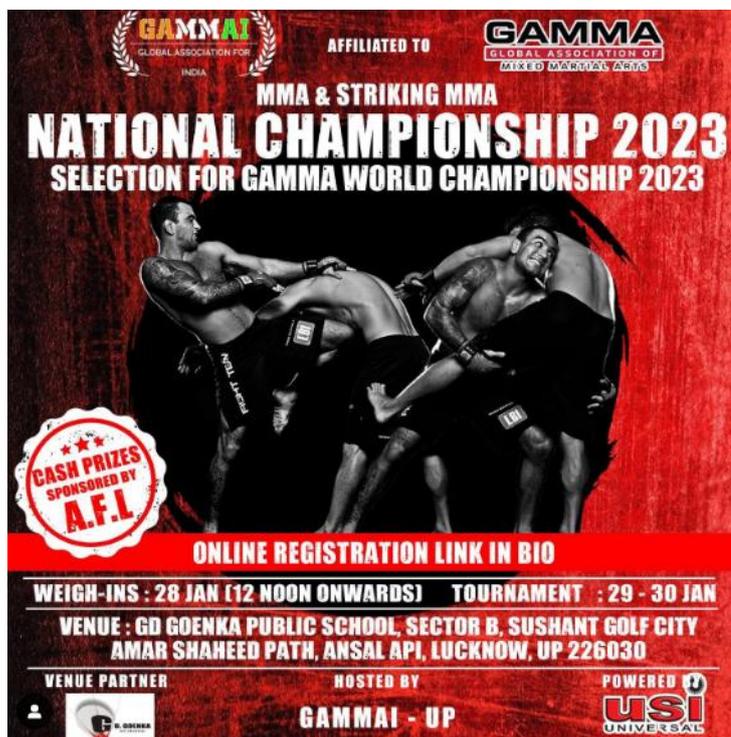
The senior mixed martial arts (MMA) and striking MMA (SMMA) national team selections for the GAMMA World Championship 2023 took place this year. Athletes from all states in India participated in this highly anticipated event, creating an atmosphere of excitement and intense competition

The turnout for the national team selections was impressive, with a great number of talented athletes from across the country eager to represent India on the global stage. The event garnered significant attention and demonstrated the growing popularity of MMA and SMMA in India.

The participation of athletes from all states highlighted the widespread reach of MMA and SMMA in India. It

emphasized the inclusive nature of the sport and showcased the immense talent and passion that exists across the nation.

The national team selections for the GAMMA World Championship 2023 provided a platform for athletes to compete at the highest level and earn the honor of representing their country. The event marked a significant milestone in the development of MMA and SMMA in India.

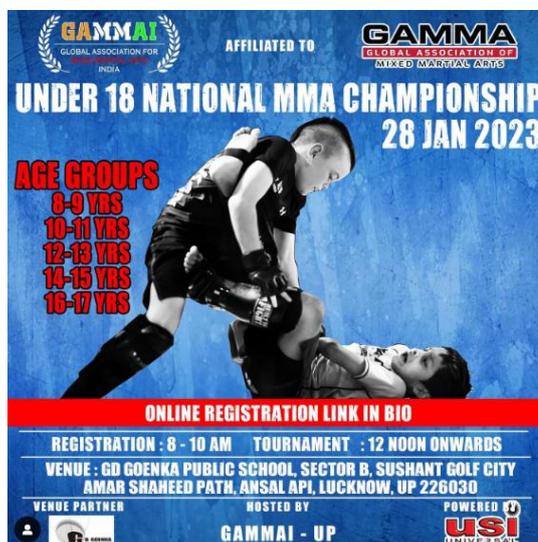


Under 18 - Junior Nationals:

The Junior Nationals commenced in Lucknow, marking the beginning of the national championship for young athletes. The GAMMA India team was pleasantly surprised by the overwhelming response, witnessing a significant turnout of enthusiastic participants eager to showcase their skills and passion for the sport.

Adhering to the strict guidelines set by GAMMA India, all junior bouts were conducted following the specific rule set designed for young athletes. The safety and well-being of every participant were of utmost importance, and the GAMMA India officials ensured that the bouts were closely monitored and supervised.

The Junior Nationals provided a platform for these budding athletes to gain valuable experience, learn from their matches, and forge lasting connections within the MMA community. It was an invaluable stepping stone in their journey, inspiring them to continue their training and pursue their dreams in the world of mixed martial arts.



Officials Seminar & Certification

As GAMMA India, we also conducted the MMA India Officials Certification Program at the Lucknow Nationals. It was a significant event for us as it aimed to certify officials for our organization. We wanted to ensure that our officials were well-trained and capable of maintaining the highest standards in MMA officiating.

All the previously certified level C officials were required to attend this program, and their presence was mandatory. It was essential for them to stay updated with the latest rules and regulations and enhance their skills.

The program took place over a few days. On the 27th of January 2023, we conducted a theory session where we covered various aspects of MMA officiating. It was an opportunity for us to share our knowledge and provide valuable insights to the officials.

Following the theory session, from the 28th to the 30th of January 2023, the officials had the privilege of officiating at the Nationals. We wanted them to apply their newly acquired knowledge in a real competition setting. It was a great chance for them to showcase their skills and ensure the smooth running of the event.

Moving forward, we will continue to provide opportunities for officials to enhance their skills and stay updated with the evolving trends in MMA officiating. We believe that a strong officials team is vital for the success of the sport, and we are dedicated to nurturing and empowering our officials.



Seniors Gold Medalists:

WEIGHT CATEGORY	GOLD MEDAL
52.2 MMA	SHIRODKAR DHRUV (ZEN FITNESS STUDIO)
52.2 SMMA	SHIRODKAR DHRUV (ZEN FITNESS STUDIO)
52.2 FEMALE MMA	YUMKHAIBAM PRIMNYANGKA
52.2 FEMALE SMMA	CHUMPI DADO (ABRASUMENTE ACADEMY)
56.7 MMA	HARSH PANDYA
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56.7 FEMALE MMA	SHAH HEENA (FIGHTER COMBAT CLUB)
56.7 FEMALE SMMA	RAHI DIVYA (RAW COMBAT SPORTS)
61.2 MMA	KUMAR ANUBHAV (CROSSTRAIN FIGHT CLUB)
61.2 SMMA	RIMO MATAM DIYO (ABRASUMENTE ACADEMY)
65.8 MMA	SINGH PAWAN PRATAP (CROSSTRAIN FIGHT CLUB)
65.8 SMMA	MORAMBA SAGOLSEM (UFC IMPHAL)
70.3 MMA	SAYED MOHAMMED (STAR MARTIAL ART & FITNESS CLUB)
70.3 SMMA	SAYED MOHAMMED (STAR MARTIAL ART & FITNESS CLUB)
77.1 MMA	NAYAK PRAVEEN (SHOORVEER ACADEMY)
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Seniors Silver Medalists:

WEIGHT CATEGORY	SILVER MEDAL
52.2 MMA	RAO AMBADAS (SHOORVEER ACADEMY)
52.2 SMMA	BIRJU_SINGH CHINGANGBAM (AZTECS FIGHT CLUB)
56.7 MMA	LAISHRAM JEKO (RMX MIXED MARTIAL ARTS AND FITNESS)
56.7 SMMA	VISHNU WARRIER
56.7 FEMALE MMA	GUPTA RADHA (SHREE SAI SPORTS ACADEMY)
56.7 FEMALE SMMA	CHUMPI DADO (ABRASUMENTE ACADEMY)
< 61.2 MMA	TRIPATHI SHAILENDRA (AV KARATE CLUB)
61.2 SMMA	ABBASI HUZAIFA (THE COMBAT LAB)
65.8 MMA	CHAKRABORTY SOUVIK (RONINS MMA)
65.8 SMMA	SINGH PAWAN PRATAP (CROSSTRAIN FIGHT CLUB)
70.3 MMA	RAO PAVAN (SHOORVEER ACADEMY)
70.3 SMMA	RAO PAVAN (SHOORVEER ACADEMY)
77.1 MMA	MUSTAFA SYED (THE COMBAT ACADEMY)
77.1 SMMA	NAYAK PRAVEEN (SHOORVEER ACADEMY)

Under 18 Gold Medalists

AGE CATEGORY	MALE/FEMALE	WEIGHT CATEGORY	GOLD MEDAL
9-11 YEARS	MALE	UNDER 40KGS	KOROUHENBA URUNGPUREL
12-14 YEARS	MALE	UNDER 50KGS	TADAR TABYO
15-17 YEARS	MALE	UNDER 50KGS	SAPAM RONALDO
15-17 YEARS	MALE	51- 57KGS	JEKO LAISHRAM
15-17 YEARS	MALE	57- 61KGS	LAISHRAM YAIPHABA >
15-17 YEARS	MALE	61- 67KGS	ETHAN YUMNAM
15- 17 YEARS	FEMALE	41- 45KGS	BIDYALUXMI NINGTHOUJAM
15- 17 YEARS	FEMALE	51- 57KGS	KAVYA SINGH
15- 17 YEARS	FEMALE	61-67KGS	ANISHA PAL

Under 18 Silver Medalists

AGE CATEGORY	MALE/FEMALE	WEIGHT CATEGORY	SILVER MEDAL
12-14 YEARS	MALE	UNDER 50KGS	ZAID IBRAHIM
15-17 YEARS	MALE	UNDER 50KGS	ANIL NIRMAN
15-17 YEARS	MALE	51- 57KGS	ARYAN BHOLA
15-17 YEARS	MALE	57- 61KGS	ROHIT KUMAR
15-17 YEARS	MALE	61- 67KGS	MD ZAFAR MALIK
15- 17 YEARS	FEMALE	51- 57KGS	DIVYA SHROFF

Felicitated for our contribution to the sport

GAMMA India received recognition and appreciation from Samtavadi Pratishtan for its contribution towards the sport of Mixed Martial Arts (MMA). This acknowledgement serves as a testament to GAMMA India's relentless efforts and commitment to promoting and developing MMA in India.

Being recognized by such a prestigious organization is truly humbling, and it reinforces our belief in the power of martial arts to positively impact individuals and communities. We are grateful to Samtavadi Pratishtan for acknowledging the hard work and dedication of our team in fostering the growth and popularity of MMA



SANCTIONED EVENTS

As a chief regulatory body of mixed martial arts in India, we at GAMMA India are tirelessly working with various promoters to regulate all contests and exhibitions of unarmed combat within the country, including supervision of promoters, mixed martial arts fighters, seconds, MMA officials, managers, and matchmakers.

What GAMMA India offers when it sanctions an event?

1. **Safety:** GAMMA India sets strict rules and regulations concerning fighter safety. For example, we mandate medical clearance, protective gear, and record updating in Tapology. These measures serve to protect fighters from unnecessary harm.
2. **Legitimacy:** Sanctioning by GAMMA India lends credibility to an MMA event. It's a seal of approval that assures fans the fights will be fair and the fighters will compete under world-class rules and regulations.
3. **Exposure:** Sanctioning by GAMMA India will attract media coverage and exposure for the fighters involved. It would also serve as a stepping stone for the fighters, who may use the exposure to take their careers to the next level.
4. **Regulation:** Prohibiting unregulated MMA events eliminates the possibility of shady promoters and fixed fights, which is a problem in the underground fight club scene.
5. **Sport development:** The sanctioning of an MMA event by GAMMA India can contribute to the development of the sport. It creates a framework for the development of talent, competitions, and the overall business of MMA.
6. **Professionalization of the sport:** Sanctioning of MMA events helps to professionalize the sport. GAMMA India ensures that fighters are paid fairly, treated correctly, and that the rules are adhered to, all of which contribute to its professionalization, making it more appealing to sponsors, fans, and investors.

Goa Beach Fights 2021:

Date: 31st December, 2021

Location: Mandrem Beach, Goa.

This was an event organized by AKA Mandrem Beach and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

There were a total of 6 professional fights as below.

1. Harendra Chowdhury vs Pruthvi Gulla – Majority Draw
2. Hansraj Samota beat Themreiyo Muniao by Submission in Round 3
3. Ankit panchal beat Akib Ali by Unanimous Decision
4. Ravi Saw beat Aditya Saha by Submission in Round 2
5. Ajay Sharma beat Ganga Bhujel by TKO
6. Suiivanio Monteiro beat Monika Chikane by Unanimous Decision.

This was also an event where the officials certified by GAMMA India previously were allowed to officiate fights in an outside event in order to test their knowledge.



Coorg Fight Night 2022

Date: 9th April 2022

Location: Coorg.

This was an event organized by Coorg Combat Club at Kushalnagar and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

There were a total of 12 amateur fights



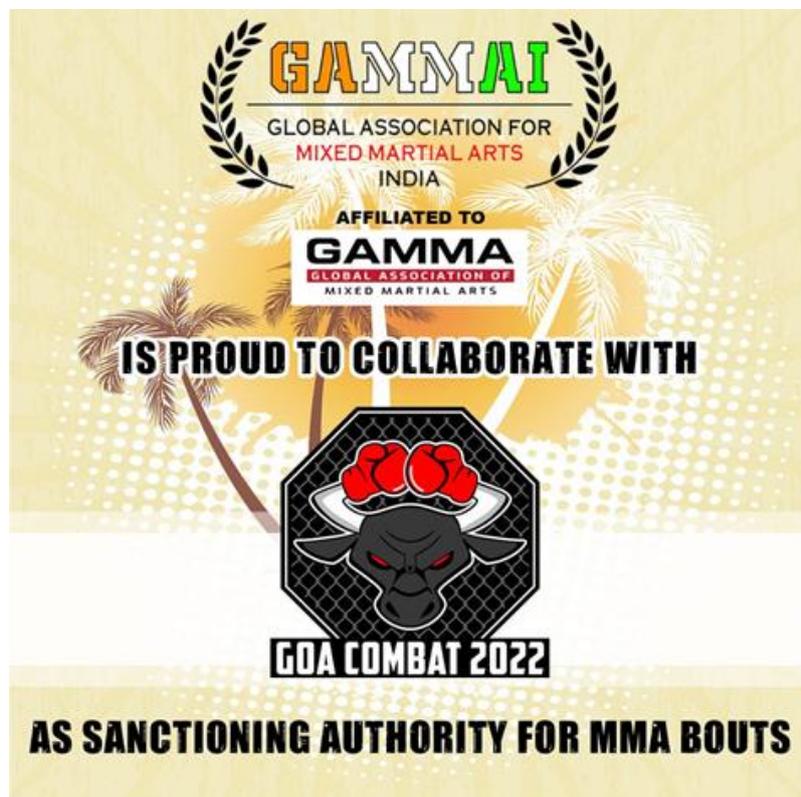
Goa Combat 2022

Date: 22st October, 2022

Location: Goa.

This was an event organized by Alpha Events and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

There were a total of 4 Pro and 3 Amateur bouts.



Goa Beach Fights 2022

Date: 25st December, 2022

Location: Mandrem Beach, Goa.

This was an event organized by AKA Mandrem Beach and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

There were a total of 9 professional fights as below.

1. Raj Vardhan beat. Sreenath Barale by Submission in Round 2
2. Sharad Gupta Vs. Siddharth Singh was a Majority Draw
3. Vikas Prajapati beat. Navin Kumar by Unanimous Decision
4. Shubham Tripathi beat Sai Mouli By TKO
5. Rintu Das beat Laxman Govekar by Split Decision
6. Eduard Gorshkov beat Rishabh Tripathi by RNC In Round 2
7. Edukondal Rao beat Lionel Mascarenhas by Submission In Round 2
8. Rayyan Khurshid beat Aakarshan Sachan VS Submission In Round 2
9. Fahad Khan beat Ajay Sharma By Unanimous Decision



Warriors Dream Series 4:

Date: 25th and 26th March, 2023

Location: Nerul, Navi Mumbai.

This was an event organized by Navi Mumbai MMA Association and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

This event had K1 bouts, single amateur fights, a 4-man amateur tournament and professional fights. The tournament winners are as follows:

1. 52.2 Kg: Dhruv Shirodkar
2. 56.7 Kg: Harsh Pandya
3. 61.2 Kg: Chandiran Thirubala
4. 65.8 Kg: Sarthik Hegde
5. 70.3 Kg: Suyash Jadhav

In the professional bouts, the results are as follows:

1. Gaganpal beat Ranveer by TKO in Round 1
2. Fahad Khan beat Ajay Payal by TKO in round 3
3. Manthan Rane beat Arun Bisht by Unanimous Decision
4. Omkar Jedhe beat Jayesh by TKO in round 1
5. Santosh beat BAMBAM by TKO



TSF Fight Night:

Date: 23rd April, 2023

Location: Goa.

This was an event organized by TSF and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials and even helped in the match making process.

This event had a combination of K1 bouts, amateur and professional MMA and Striking MMA. The results of all MMA bouts are as below:



1. Mahamad Shafi beat Yashodhan Hirve via Unanimous decision
2. Naveen SG beat Vidanth Panchal via Unanimous decision
3. Thiru Balachandran beat Jins Jose via Unanimous decision
4. Muhammed Shahid beat Prathamesh Kenjale via Split decision
5. Sanjana George beat Nayan Mandlik via Unanimous decision
6. Muhammed Zubair beat Rohit Deshmukh via Unanimous decision
7. Neeraj MP beat Amit Singh by Ko
8. Chourajit Laishram beat Nyke Singpho by KO in 0:28 secs of Round 2
9. Suyash Jadhav beat Nishant Karkera by TKO
10. Manthan Rane beat Vikas Jaiswar by Submission (Rear Naked Choke)
11. Fahad Khan beat Anubhav Kumar via Unanimous decision

ATURTO Fight Night:

Date: 28th April, 2023

Location: Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh

This was an event organized by ATURTO and sanctioned by GAMMA India. GAMMA India provided all officials.

This was Arunachal Pradesh's first ever MMA event and GAMMA India was very glad to be a part of this process. Localites came in hundreds to support their own talent. The ATURTO team put up a superb event together in collaboration with GAMMA India.



The results are as follows:

1. Biri Nikum beat Tarh Tater via Unanimous Decision
2. Nabam Nanu beat Tamo Tallar via Unanimous Decision
3. Tage Ruja beat Namdol Lhupa via Unanimous Decision
4. Uttam Soibam vs Likha Zill was a Split Draw
5. Bikash Sungkurang beat Mobyta Tajang via Unanimous Decision
6. Kon Jarbin beat Jeff Diengdoh via Unanimous Decision
7. Ronald Khriem beat Mihin Taping via Unanimous Decision
8. Pei Lomdik That beat Atokivi Chisi via Majority Decision
9. Jeko Laishram beat Jony Darlong via Rear Naked Choke
10. Gregory Sohtun beat Riyaz Ahmed via Rear Naked Choke
11. Sarita Rathod beat Lyn Wankhar via Armbar in 0:50 seconds of Round 2
12. Darren Kharshandy beat Tor Perme via Unanimous Decision
13. Jeko Laishram won via fighter withdrawal due to injury

INITIATIVES

Glorified Sparring

Glorified Sparring is a concept initiated by GAMMA India in India. The idea is to provide upcoming athletes with a platform to test their skills without having to risk their official records. The athletes are allowed to spar inside a cage to experience the stress of a tournament. The aim of Glorified sparring are

1. **Improve Skills:** Sparring is an opportunity to practice techniques, footwork, and movement under pressure. It is also a chance to identify weaknesses or areas that need improvement in a fighter's training.
2. **Build Confidence:** Regular sparring builds confidence in a fighter's ability to defend and attack while facing opponents of different sizes, strengths, and skill levels.
3. **Help Prepare for Competitions:** Sparring is an essential part of training for competitions because it simulates the conditions of a real fight and allows fighters to practice their strategies and techniques.
4. **Build a community:** Sparring can be a group activity that fosters camaraderie, mutual respect, and a sense of community among martial artists. Students support each other while pushing each other to improve.

For the venue, GAMMA India ties up with academies across India who has access to a cage. Athletes register via GAMMA India's Instagram page and turn up on the day of the event to participate.

All bouts are conducted under GAMMA International Rule set and a fight is stopped only in case of a KO, TKO or a submission. Otherwise it is declared a draw.

Glorified Sparring Session 1

Date: March 11, 2023

Venue: Fighter Combat Club, Kandivali, Mumbai.

Participants: Almost 50 participants from all around Mumbai came to participate. Bouts were done in both Striking MMA and MMA. Fighters ranging from 7 years old all the way to 30 years of age participated in this event.



Glorified Sparring Session 2

Date: May 7, 2023

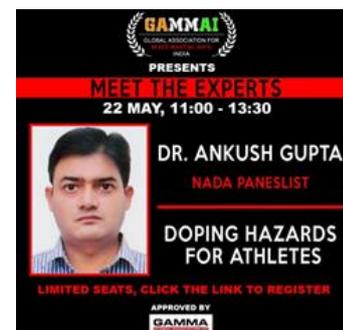
Venue: Fit and Fight Club, Navi Mumbai.

Participants: Almost 80 participants from all around Mumbai came to participate. Bouts were done in both Striking MMA and MMA. Fighters ranging from 10 years old all the way to 30 years of age participated in this event.



Initiatives: Online Workshops

Online workshops offer several benefits that traditional in-person workshops cannot match. One of the significant advantages of online workshops is convenience. Participants have the flexibility to attend sessions from anywhere in the world, without worrying about travel and accommodation expenses. Another significant benefit is cost-effectiveness. Online workshops typically cost less than in-person workshops because there are no expenses associated with renting a physical space and other logistics. Participants can further save money on travel, lodging, and meals. GAMMA India workshops help fighters and coaches acquire new skills and knowledge from the best in the field. This way, participants have access to thought leaders and influencers from around the world, increasing their chances of learning something new and innovative in the field of Combat Sports. The various workshops conducted by GAMMA India are as follows:



These workshops were appreciated by the Indian MMA community

THE PATH AHEAD

Recognition for MMA as a sport in India

Mixed Martial Arts is not yet recognized as a sport in India. This makes it impossible for athletes that compete at the Asian & World championship level to receive any recognition or benefits available to sports listed under International Olympic committee (IOC) or the International Non-Olympic committee (INOC)

Create one central body for MMA governance

Since MMA is not yet recognized as a sport in India, there is no one national sports federation. As one of the foremost authorities of mixed martial arts in India, we at GAMMA India have a vision to consolidate all the existing MMA associations under one banner and work towards acquiring the national sports federation status

Promoting the sport of MMA at the grassroots

We at GAMMA India want to promote the sport of MMA at the grassroots by further creating state, zonal & district level bodies that would be responsible for developing and promoting the sport in their respective jurisdictions. That way the sports will reach young athletes at even the remotest parts of India.