

Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of VSHFA held on 5th February 2026 on Zoom.

- The meeting was called to order by National President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani At 09.15 pm sharp, he welcomed members present.
- Roll Call was obtained and the following members were present:
Shri Shankar Lalwani ji MP
Shri Rajaram Bhagwani
Dr. Pitambar Dhalwani
Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani
Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani
Shri Ishwar Jhamnani
Dr. Vinky Rughwani
Shri Prakash Jagdish Chugh
Dr. Raju Manwani
- Leave of absence granted to Shri Manohar Mamtani and Prof. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
- Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed unanimously.
- National Treasurer Dr. Pitambar Dhalwani presented his report. He invited questions regarding the accounts; however, no questions were raised.
- **The allotment of duties was discussed as follows:**
Each core member whose name appears on the letterhead has been assigned the responsibility of following up with associations, trusts, organizations, and panchayats to enrol them into the federation. All follow-ups should be completed as soon as possible, before the General Body Meeting to be held in March.

- The matter regarding the auditing of accounts was discussed. The General Secretary Dr. Raju Manwani requested the National Treasurer, Dr. Pitambar Dhalwani, and the Joint Treasurer, Shri Satendra Bhawnani, to discuss among themselves and decide, at a mutually convenient place, the appointment of auditors. It was further decided that the accounts should be audited regularly and the audited statements should be presented in every General Body Meeting and also uploaded monthly on the website. Advisor Shri JC Prakash ji suggested that since the registered office is in Mumbai, it would be preferable to appoint an auditor based in Mumbai. However, after discussion, it was agreed that whatever decision is taken unanimously by the Treasurer's team will be followed.
- It was also discussed to appoint Country Representatives/Coordinators and State Presidents/Coordinators. The proposed names should be shared in the Core Committee group within 48 hours. If no objections are received against any name within this period, the appointment letters should be issued to them.
- A very healthy discussion was also held regarding long-range planning, and it was decided to appoint a Long-Range Planning Committee under the leadership of Hon. Shri Shankar Lalwani ji, Member of Parliament. The committee members are:

Shri Rajaram Bhagwani

Shri Ishwar Jhamnani

Shri Manohar Mamtani

Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani

Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani

Dr. Pitambar Dhalwani

Dr. Vinky Rughwani

Dr. Raju V. Manwani.

This committee will deliberate and plan future and long-term strategies, discuss them within the Core Committee, and subsequently present them in the Body Meeting. With this structured approach, we are confident that future planning will move forward in a positive manner, aligned with the organization's aims and objectives.

Meeting with the concerned departments of the ministries, as discussed at the physical meeting in Bhopal, Shri Shankar Lalwani ji and everyone have agreed to hold the meeting on 17th February 2026 at Delhi with the concerned department, and thereafter, if required, with the ministers.

Those who would like to join in Delhi may arrive in the morning at 11:00 o'clock on 17th February 2026 and can leave in the evening. Shri Rajaram Bhagwani, Shri Manohar Mamtani, Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani, Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani, and Dr. Raju Manwani are requested to definitely join the meeting.

Regarding the federation membership, Shri Prakash Jagdish Chugh suggested that the Google Form can be made simpler. The process of filling and submitting the form should not be very difficult. At the same time, proper scrutiny should be carried out to ensure that the form is filled and submitted by the correct authorities of the association who are officially representing it in the federation

Advisor Shri Rajaram Bhagwani ji also suggested that whichever coordinators are appointed at the district, state, or national level, their appointment letter should be given to them so that it can be used as an authority letter to seek help from the association to join the federation.

After a healthy discussion, the General Body Meeting dates have been finalized as 4th and 5th April 2026. The venue can be decided in the group itself—maybe Lucknow, Nagpur, Mumbai, or Pune. The final decision will be taken unanimously.

Under future planning, the relevant points were discussed.

1. The General Body Meeting dates have been finalized as 4th and 5th April 2026.
2. The National General Secretary Dr. Raju Manwani informed the members that the VSHF website would cost ₹24,000 for development, along with ₹8,000 per annum towards maintenance. He invited suggestions if any member could recommend a more economical or better option. Accordingly, Shri Rajaram Bhagwani ji suggested that Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani and Shri Mahesh Kumar Malkani ji may be able to assist further. Dr. Pitambhar Dhalwani stated that the

current option appears to be the most economical available. However, it was finally decided that the committee would wait, consider the suggestions from Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani and Shri Mahesh Kumar Malkani, and then take a final decision.

3. In the month of May 2026, a function for youth is proposed to be organized in Mumbai or Delhi. It was discussed at length in the meeting in a positive manner. CM-level guests can be invited, and maximum youth participation can be ensured.

- The Core Committee requested Hon. Shri Shankar Lalwani regarding the proposed Jhanki for the 26th January 2027 Republic Day Parade at Kartavya Path, New Delhi. Shri Shankar Lalwani ji informed that he has already discussed the matter with the concerned departments, including the Cultural Department. The proposal will now be forwarded to the Ministry of Defence, and the matter will be personally followed up by him.
- As discussed in the last meeting held at Bhopal, eleven members can be inducted by contributing ₹2 lakh each. The following names were discussed: Shri Raju Khetwani, Shri Ishwar Jethwani, Shri Vijay Israni, Shri Neeraj Abhichandani, Shri Vijay Pahuja, and Shri Vicky Kandari. Accordingly, two additional names have been suggested by the core committee: Shri Rajiv Purswani and Shri Vinod Nenwani. The remaining three positions have been kept open and may be filled in the future as and when suitable members join.
- Concluding remarks given by Chief Advisor Hon. Shri Shankar Lalwani ji and National President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani.
- Vote of thanks given by Governing Council Member Dr. Vinky Rughwani. Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani.
- Meeting was adjourned by National President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani at 10.12 pm.