

MONTU DAS

Founder and President of
Chess Boxing Organisation of India

Shihan **Montu Das** is the **Founder and President of CBOI** who is also the founder and president of Kickboxing Association of West Bengal and former General Secretary of WAKO-India.

When he was 16, he heard from his coach that, after any aggressive or heavy contact sport we should play chess for mental and physical relaxation. So, that idea was in his mind.

After that, when he came to know about "CHESS-BOXING (WCBO)" the combination of two opposite sport, one soft and the other hard, then immediately he went to meet with the Inventer of Chessboxing Mr. lepe Rubingh to promote this game in India.

He came up with "Chess Boxing Club of Kolkata" and arranged first ever Chessboxing match in India sole at Kolkata and founded the Chessboxing Organization Of India. Now CBOI has successfully flourished in more than Twenty States such as: West Bengal, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Tripura, Telangana etc. under the guidance of Mr. Das.

Due to Mr. Das and his efforts we got the first ever Chessboxer from India as well as from Asian region who took part in WORLD PROFESSIONAL CHESSBOXING CHAMPIONSHIP at Moscow, Russia in 2013 under the financial support of Chessboxing Global Marketing.

Mr. Das attended the first AGM of WCBO at Berlin, Germany in 2014 and got elected as the one and only Vice-President and Board Member of WCBO and assisted Mr. lepe for the promotion of Amateur Chessboxing Worldwide. He introduced first ever Amateur World Chessboxing Championship in his own city Kolkata, India in two consecutive years 2017 and 2018. His hard work paid off and his dream of developing Amature Chessboxing worldwide has now come true and he is continuously putting efforts to get Chessboxing in future Olympic.

MONTU DAS as the President of WCBO

Mr. Montu Das got elected as the President of World Chess Boxing Organization (WCBO), Germany through Virtual meeting cum election on 2nd June 2020 by WCBO after the sorrowful demise of Mr. Iepe Rubingh, Inventor of Chessboxing and Founder President of WCBO on 8th May 2020. Mr. Das was the only Vice-President and Board Member of WCBO during the presidentship of Iepe since 2014.

He is now relected as the President of WCBO for another 4 years at the AGM in Antalya Turkey 2022.

He is the first president of WCBO to apply in GAISF Membership for future recognition of Chessboxing and towards the development of it in Olympic.

Mr. Das has introduced chessboxing in other countries as well such as Philippines, Nepal, Pakistan, Uganda, Ghana, Gambia, Chile etc.