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Koshyari presents Tata Mumbai Marathon Philanthropy Awards

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MUMBAI, 27 Oct: Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari presented the Tata Mumbai Marathon Philanthropy Awards at the Raj Bhavan, here, today.

The awards were presented to individuals, non-governmental organisations and corporate fundraisers who raised maximum funds for various social causes and NGOs through the platform of Tata Mumbai Marathon.

A record Rs 45.90 Crore – highest so far – were raised by 295 non-governmental organisations using the platform of Tata Mumbai Marathon held in January 2020.

Recalling the morning of 19 January, when he flagged off the Tata Mumbai Marathon, Governor Koshyari said the Tata Mumbai Marathon, with this year's participation of 55,000 people, has truly become a National Marathon.

Congratulating the individuals, NGOs and Corporate organisations for raising awareness about various



social causes through the Marathon, the Governor expressed the hope that the Corporates would also contribute generously to the cause of Covid-19 pandemic relief effort.

The late Dhaval Mehta, who raised Rs 2.43 Crore for the **Shrimad Rajchandra Love and Care** – and who lost his life in an accident – was honoured posthumously for raising the highest amount of

funds since its inception in 2004. The memento and certificate was received by his wife, Anuja Mehta, from the Governor.

VS Parthasarathy, Group CFO of Mahindra and Mahindra Limited, who raised Rs 2.25 Crore for the KC Mahindra Education Trust Project 'Narhi Kali', Sadashiv Rao, CEO of NIIF Infrastructure Finance Limited, who raised funds for Isha Foundation, KVS Manian,

Whole Time Director of Kotak Mahindra Bank, who raised funds for Cancer Patients Aid Association, and Villy Doctor, Managing Director of Light of Life Trust were honoured at the hands of the Governor.

Bijal Mehta received the award on behalf of the Shrimad Rajchandra Mission, which emerged as the highest fund raising NGO with Rs 7.50 Crore.

The Governor felicitated Change Legends, Change Icons,

and Corporate Fund raisers on the occasion.

Jayanti Shukla, CEO, United Way Mumbai, disclosed that 295 NGOs raised an amount of Rs 45.90 Crore using the platform of Tata Mumbai Marathon.

Anil Singh, MD, Procarn International, Vivek Singh, Joint MD, Procarn, and Harish Bhatt, Brand Custodian, Tata Group, were prominent among those present on the occasion.