

(KDBA) proudly celebrates the contributions of Ninad Uday Kamat, a distinguished player and coach whose journey in Badminton exemplifies dedication, skill, and a passion for nurturing talent.

## An Illustrious Playing Career

- Ninad's journey in Badminton began with a strong foundation as a member of the Maharashtra School State Team in 2003-04, showcasing his early potential. Over the years, his achievements have made him what he is today
- Gold Medalist at the All India Inter Steel Plant Badminton Tournament, representing Jindal Steel Works at Vizag.
- Silver Medalist at the same prestigious tournament held in Jamshedpur.
- Represented Karnataka State in various state and national-level tournaments from 2006 to 2009, further broadening his experience.
- Winner of the Inter-District Badminton Tournament representing Belgaum district in Bengaluru.
- Secured numerous titles in open state tournaments across Maharashtra and Karnataka.
- Represented Maharashtra State at the All India Masters Badminton Tournament in Udaipur, Rajasthan.

## Ninad Uday Kamat: A Journey of dedication to the Sport of Badminton

- Reached the Quarterfinals at the All India Masters Badminton Championship 2023 held in Madgaon,
- Locally, Ninad is a force to be reckoned with, being crowned the Kolhapur District Badminton Champion seven times in both the Men's Singles and Doubles events. His consistent performance at interdistrict tournaments has solidified his reputation as one of Kolhapur's finest athletes.

## Coaching stints of Ninad

- Ninad's impact extends beyond his playing achievements. As a coach, he has played a pivotal role in shaping the future of many players in Kolhapur.
- He has nurtured district-level winners in Sub-Junior and Junior categories, ensuring a steady pipeline of talent for Kolhapur.
- An Inspiration for Kolhapur
- His dual role as a player and coach showcases his dedication to the sport and commitment to uplifting Kolhapur's Badminton community. His story inspires budding athletes to aim high and reinforces the values of perseverance, hard work, and sportsmanship.
- As KDBA commemorates its Golden Jubilee, we honor individuals like Ninad Uday Kamat, whose contributions continue to enrich the legacy of Badminton in Kolhapur.

