



Pratik Ranade : Rising from Ichalkaranji to Shine on the Global Badminton Stage

Hailing from Ichalkaranji, Maharashtra, known as the Manchester City of India, Pratik Ranade embodies the spirit of perseverance and ambition. Despite the challenges of coming from a town better known for its textiles than sports, Pratik's journey in Badminton is a story of passion, determination, and unwavering commitment.

Early Beginnings and Foundation

Born on November 19, 1999, Pratik's love for Badminton ignited in the modest courts of Ichalkaranji. Encouraged by local mentors and supported by his family, he quickly became a dominant force in district and state-level competitions. His hunger to improve and excel saw him transition to the professional Badminton circuits, where he trained under renowned coaches like Shrikant Vad and refined his skills at premier institutions such as the Syed Modi Badminton Academy.

A Trail of Achievements

Pratik's accomplishments in Badminton, both on the national and international stage, speak volumes about his dedication:

International Highlights:

Silver Medalist in Mixed Doubles and Bronze Medalist in Men's Doubles at the Bangladesh International Challenge (2021).

Represented India at prestigious tournaments, including the Yonex Sunrise India Open, Syed Modi International, and Odisha Open BWF Super Series.

Quarterfinalist in several international competitions like the Nepal International





Series and Chhattisgarh International Challenge.

National Accolades

Represented Maharashtra at the 83rd and 84th National Badminton Championships, advancing to the quarterfinals in various categories.

Consistent medalist at Yonex Sunrise All India Senior Ranking tournaments, including a Bronze at the V.V. Nattu Senior Ranking Tournament (2024).

State-Level Dominance:

Multiple Gold Medals at Maharashtra Senior State Championships, including victories in Mixed and Men's Doubles (2018-2023).

Proven performer at district-level tournaments, earning numerous gold medals in both singles and doubles categories.

Other Notable Achievements

Selected for the Indian National Camp (Core Group) in 2022.

Gold Medalist in Mixed Doubles at the West Zone Badminton Tournament and member of the Maharashtra team that triumphed in team events.

Bronze Medalist in Team Championship at the 36th National Games in Surat (2022).

A Beacon of Inspiration

Pratik's journey from Ichalkaranji to representing India internationally serves as a powerful inspiration for young athletes. His relentless pursuit of excellence highlights the potential of individuals from smaller towns to make a mark on the global stage. Through his achievements, Pratik not only showcases the spirit of Ichalkaranji but also emphasizes the transformative power of sports in shaping lives.

As Pratik continues to scale new heights, his story is a testament to hard work, resilience, and the unyielding desire to succeed. He remains a shining example of what one can achieve with determination, no matter where they come from.

