



Rutika Kamble : A Rising Prodigy in Badminton

At just 15 years old, Rutika Kamble has already established herself as one of the most promising Badminton players in her age group. Having embarked on her journey in 2018, Rutika's dedication, discipline, and love for the game have been pivotal in her rapid ascent to excellence.

Despite her shy demeanor, Rutika's performance on the court speaks volumes. Her achievements in the past two years showcase her relentless commitment to improving and excelling.

State-Level Triumphs:

- Runner-Up in the State Selection Tournament XD15, Pune (2023).
- **Victories in Ahmednagar :** Runner-Up in XD15 (2023) and State Championship Winner in Girls Doubles (2024).
- Runner-Up in XD categories at both Ahmednagar and Nashik (2024).

National Accolades

- Bronze Medalist in Singles at the C.B.S.E. School Games, Madhya Pradesh (2024).
- Winner of the All India Ranking Girls Doubles under 15, Jaipur (2024).
- Semifinalist in Girls Doubles at the All India Ranking (Hyderabad, 2024).

- Quarterfinalist at the Sub-Junior National Championship GD under 15, Chennai (2024).
- 4th Position in the Final Selection Trials for BAJC GD under 15, Bangalore.

Rutika's journey is a evident to the rewards of hard work, perseverance, and a clear focus on goals. Her ability to shine amidst fierce competition reflects not only her skill but also her ability to learn and grow with each game.

However, behind this remarkable journey lies the unwavering support of her parents, who have been pivotal to her success. Despite societal odds of being a girl child and coming from a small town like Gadhinglaj, her parents left no stone unturned in nurturing her potential. They made significant sacrifices, including relocating to cities to ensure Rutika had access to the best facilities and coaching. Their determination and belief in Rutika's abilities have been the cornerstone of her achievements.

Equally instrumental in Rutika's rise has been her coach, Timeer Arware, a Olympic Gold Quest Alumini & BAI Certified Coach, whose guidance and expertise have transformed her into the player she is today. Timeer's relentless efforts to fine-tune her skills and provide constant motivation have been invaluable in her journey. Together with

her parents, Timeer has played a critical role in shaping Rutika's career and instilling in her the confidence to take on challenges head-on.

As she continues to thrive, Rutika is a source of inspiration for young badminton players. The Kolhapur Badminton Association is proud to support and celebrate her achievements as she carries the torch of excellence, making her family and community proud.

She was recently felicitated with a cash reward by KDBA for a National Title in GU15 BAI Ranking tournament in Jaipur.

Rutika Kamble—shy, determined, and unstoppable—is undoubtedly a star in the making.

