



# The Sabnis Family: Three Generations of Excellence in Badminton

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## **Dr. Satyavrat Mohan Sabnis: A Pioneer on Court and Beyond**

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Dr. Sabnis seamlessly balanced his medical career with his love for Badminton, winning Gold in team events at the All India Medical Tournaments in New Delhi and Hyderabad. His contribution extended beyond playing as he qualified as an MBA Umpire, officiating state and national matches with integrity. A true pioneer, Dr. Sabnis set the benchmark for future generations.

## **Dr. Yashodhara Mohan Sabnis-Pendse: A Trailblazer for Women's Badminton**

Dr. Yashodhara Mohan Sabnis-Pendse, a name etched in Kolhapur's Badminton history, excelled in Girls Singles and Doubles, clinching District Championship titles. She represented Kolhapur at Maharashtra State Tournaments in Pune and Aurangabad, and her exceptional talent led to her selection for the Maharashtra school team. At the School Nationals in Jalandhar, she won a Silver Medal.

Dr. Yashodhara's achievements didn't stop there. She was selected for the Shivaji University team at Banaras, where she secured a Gold Medal in the Ladies Team category. Her trailblazing efforts paved the way for women in Badminton and enriched the sporting culture of Kolhapur.

## **Ms. Vaibhavi Satyavrat Sabnis: A Torchbearer of Excellence**

Ms. Vaibhavi Satyavrat Sabnis carried forward her family's sporting legacy with unmatched dedication. Introduced to Badminton at the age of 7, she quickly rose through the ranks, winning the District Championship in the Under-10 category. By 12, she became the first girl from Kolhapur District to win the Maharashtra State Championship in the Under-13 category, securing Gold in both Singles and Doubles.





Vaibhavi's achievements include a Bronze Medal at the Nationals in Chandigarh, a Silver Medal in the Under-16 Nationals in Thane, and numerous victories in state and national open tournaments. Balancing her academic pursuits, Vaibhavi became a Consulting Orthodontist, embodying the perfect harmony of intellect and athleticism. **Saurav Satyavrat Sabnis: The Next Generation of Talent**

The youngest in the Sabnis lineage, Saurav has already begun making his mark in Badminton. Representing Kolhapur District at the Maharashtra State Badminton Tournaments in Ahmednagar for Boys Under-13, he showcased his budding talent. He also represented the Kolhapur Zone at the Inter-Zone State School Tournaments in Akola, continuing the family tradition of excellence.

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