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17. Gadde Ruthvika Shivani

Date of Birth: 26th March 1997

Sport: Badminton

Hometown: Khammam, Telangana

Training base: Gopichand Academy, Hyderabad

Ruthvika is known to be a shy, quiet girl, but on the court, she has a reputation of blasting her way past opponents. Her coach Pullela Gopichand feels that she has got all that it takes to reach the top. Tall and energetic, she has incredible court coverage and great control.



Ruthvika has made remarkable progress from a talented youngster to a top emerging women's badminton player. In 2014, Ruthvika won two All India Junior Ranking tournaments and finished runner-up at the Junior Nationals. She claimed her first senior international title aged 17, at the TATA Open International Challenge, the same year, in December.

Ruthvika caused quite a stir at the 2016 SAF Games, where she pulled off an upset by beating the much-acclaimed PV Sindhu in the final to claim gold in women's singles. Her superb win over Nitthaon Jindapol at the Uber Cup in 2016 was instrumental in securing the bronze medal for the women's team at the event. She also won her first ever Grand Prix Event in 2016 at the Russian Open. She leads the strong next generation of women's singles players after P.V. Sindhu and Saina Nehwal and aspires to do the country proud at next year's Commonwealth and Asian Games.

Achievements

- Gold medal (Team event) at the 2018 Commonwealth Games
- Winner - South Asian Games, 2016, Guwahati and Shillong
- Winner - Russian Open Grand Prix, 2016
- Bronze medal - TOTAL BWF Thomas and Uber Cup, China, 2016
- Runner up – SATS – Yonex Sunrise India International Series, 2016
- Winner - Yonex Sunrise Bangladesh Open International Badminton Challenge, 2015