

# Congratulations on your success!



*IIT Mandi's B.Tech. (Electrical Engineering) student  
Nitesh Kumar  
has achieved special laurels at the 1st National para badminton  
championship 2017, Bangalore.*

Nitesh has won Silver medal in singles and Bronze medal in mixed doubles at the 1<sup>st</sup> National para badminton championship organised by (Indian para badminton commission) under the aegis of BAI (Badminton association of India) at Bangalore during 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

Total 150 shuttlers from across the nation participated in the event. Nitesh, represented Haryana and won Silver medal in SL3 singles defeating Manoj Sarkar from Uttarakhand (World no 3 & India no 1) in quarter finals by 15-12, 15-14 and Umesh Vikram Kumar from Chattisgarh (World no 11 & India no 3) in semi finals by 14-21, 21-16, 22-20, but lost the final match against Pramod Bhagat from Odisha (World no 2 & India no 2) by 12-21, 19-21.

He also won Bronze medal in mixed doubles event by defeating another Haryana pair in quarter finals by 15-9, 15-11, but lost to World champion pair, Rakesh Pandey and Parul in semi finals by 11-21, 7-21.



Message from Prof. Timothy A. Gonsalves (Director, IIT Mandi):  
*"Congratulations, Nitesh, on this stellar achievement! Wish you all the best in further scaling the heights!"*

Message from Nitesh Kumar: *"I am really grateful to IIT Mandi for helping me at every step of my badminton career and the Badminton coach of IIT Mandi, Mr. Satvinderpal Singh for helping me with my game."*

Many congratulations to Nitesh for achieving new heights for himself and the whole IIT Mandi community. He has set an example for his fellow students and also others that strong determination and dedication never fails.