



OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS

Invitation to



Kotak Pullela Gopichand

Badminton Academy

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Telangana India International Challenge 2025


04 – 09 November 2025

Hyderabad, Telangana State, INDIA

(New Location)

Prospectus



Organizer	Badminton Association of India (BAI) D-6/10, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi – 110057. India T: +91 11 41450524 E: indiaijhyderabad@badmintonindia.org W: www.badmintonindia.org
Host Organizer	Badminton Association of Telangana C/o. Pullela Gopichand Badminton Academy, Survey No: 91, ISB Road, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500032 Telangana. India Mobile: +91 (97010) 53060
Main Contact Person & Organizing Secretary	Mr. Pullela Gopichand Mobile: +91 (97010) 53060 Email: indiaijhyderabad@badmintonindia.org
Useful Contacts	<p>Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma Chairman, Tournament Committee & President, BAI E: indiaichyderabad@badmintonindia.org</p> <p>Mr. Sanjay Mishra Tournament Secretary & General Secretary, BAI E: secgen@badmintonindia.org</p> <p>Mr. Pullela Gopichand Organizing Secretary – Phone: +91-9701053060 Email: indiaichyderabad@badmintonindia.org</p> <p>Fine C Dathan Competition Manager Email: finecdathan@gmail.com</p> <p>Mohd. Maqdoom Tournament Secretariat Email: indiaichyderabad@badmintonindia.org</p>
Referee	Mr. Mathew Varghese (UAE) Email: mathewvg@gmail.com
Deputy Referee	Mr. Lokesh Kumar Soni Email: lkrsoni@gmail.com
Sanctioned by	Badminton World Federation & Badminton Asia
Date	04th (Tuesday) November – 09th (Sunday) November 2025
Venue	GMC Balayogi Sports Complex, (New Location) Indoor Arena, Gachibowli, Hyderabad - 500032 Tel: +91 9701053060
Media Links	<p>Championship's website: www.badmintonindia.org</p> <p>  @badmintonassociationofindia Badminton Association India  @BAI_Media @BAI_Media </p>



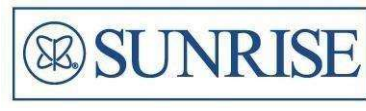
Entry Fee	<p>The following entry fees shall be charged: Entries from all countries except India: Singles: USD 30 (Per player) Doubles: USD 40 (Per pair)</p> <p>Entries from India: Singles: INR 2,000 (Per player) Doubles: INR 3,000 (Per pair)</p> <p>The Entry Fee should be paid in cash at the venue.</p>																																													
Entries	<p>Member Associations are advised to submit your entries ONLINE at the link provided: https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/A2CEE024-B1ED-4127-824C-D97C701BBCD8</p> <p>Entry Deadline: Tuesday, 07th October 2025 Entry Deadline (Indian National Players): Tuesday, 30th September 2025</p> <p>Kindly contact BWF at technicalevents@bwf.sport for the username and password if required. The online entry page will close immediately on the entry closing date at 23:59 p.m. Badminton Asia Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT).</p> <p>1. All late submissions, including technical errors, will not be accepted. 2. All entries MUST be submitted by ranking order. 3. No changes to the entries are allowed except for withdrawal after the release of the M&Q Report. 4. All entries MUST only be submitted through your Member Association.</p> <p>For members who are having technical difficulties, kindly contact Mr. Haziq at haziq@badmintonasia.org before the Entry Deadline provided above.</p> <p>After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send a notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries. Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by Wednesday (the next day of the entries closing date) by noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following the closure of entries.</p> <p>If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday (the second day after the entries closing day) 23.59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following the closure of entries, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections shall be entertained after this point.</p>																																													
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Prize Money & Medals	<p>Total Prize Money of US\$ 25,000 (subject to withholding taxes as per regulations of Government of India. The present minimum rate is 20.60%) will be distributed at the Prize Giving Ceremony, copy of passport is required for verifications purposes.</p> <table><tr><th></th><th>Event</th><th>Champion</th><th>Runner-up</th><th>Semi-finalists</th><th>Quarter-finalists</th></tr><tr><td>*</td><td>Men's Singles</td><td rowspan="5">US\$ 2000</td><td rowspan="5">US\$ 1200</td><td rowspan="5">US\$ 500</td><td rowspan="5">US\$ 200</td></tr><tr><td>*</td><td>Women's Singles</td></tr><tr><td>**</td><td>Men's Doubles</td></tr><tr><td>**</td><td>Women's Doubles</td></tr><tr><td>**</td><td>Mixed Doubles</td></tr></table> <p>* - Per Player, ** - Per Pair</p> <p>The organizer will pay the prize money in cash during the prize presentation ceremony to the Finalists. Trophies will be awarded to all winners & runners-up.</p>		Event	Champion	Runner-up	Semi-finalists	Quarter-finalists	*	Men's Singles	US\$ 2000	US\$ 1200	US\$ 500	US\$ 200	*	Women's Singles	**	Men's Doubles	**	Women's Doubles	**	Mixed Doubles						
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Withdrawals	<p>The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14.</p> <p>Member Associations can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty (see Key Dates Section).</p> <p>Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute, Section 2.5).</p> <p>Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organiser are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal.</p> <p>If a Member Association needs to withdraw any entries once players have arrived in the host city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Tournament Referee or Deputy Referee(s) and must also be confirmed in writing to:</p> <p>Referee: Mr. Mathew Varghese (UAE) Email: mathewvg@gmail.com</p> <p>Competition Manager: Fine C Dathan Email: finecdathan@gmail.com</p>								
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Competition Rules & Regulation	<p>Relevant Badminton World Federation Regulations shall be applicable to this competition. This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment, and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the BWF GCR 20 – 24. This includes restrictions of certain colors for shirts, shorts, and skirts to avoid issues with virtual advertising on TV courts, as per GCR 21.7.</p> <p>Update Seed Withdrawal Movement will be implemented in this tournament You may refer to BWF STATUTES General Competition Regulation 11.3</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="320 1077 1528 1272"> <tr> <td>Name of the player</td><td>Mandatory throughout the tournament.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Country Name</td><td>Optional throughout the tournament.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Partners' colour of clothing</td><td>Mandatory from Quarter-finals onwards, partners to wear same colour and similar Design of Shirt and shorts / skirts</td></tr> <tr> <td>Opposing sides colour of clothing</td><td>Mandatory from Quarter-finals onwards, opposing sides to wear significantly different colour</td></tr> </table>	Name of the player	Mandatory throughout the tournament.	Country Name	Optional throughout the tournament.	Partners' colour of clothing	Mandatory from Quarter-finals onwards, partners to wear same colour and similar Design of Shirt and shorts / skirts	Opposing sides colour of clothing	Mandatory from Quarter-finals onwards, opposing sides to wear significantly different colour
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Clothing & Advertising	<p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the competition regulations of the Badminton World Federation. (GCR 20 - 24).</p> <p>The player's name on the back of the clothing shall be identical to the name registered as the Last Name (or an abbreviation thereof) in the BWF Player database. The "last name" is defined as the family name, surname, or similar name under the respective naming protocol of the Member country. (GCR 23.3)</p> <p>MANDATORY CLOTHING REGULATIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name of the player is MANDATORY from the first day of the event. 2. From Quarter Finals onwards, doubles partners must wear clothing of the same colour. 3. From Quarter Finals onwards, opposing players must wear clothing of significantly different colours. <p>*Country name is OPTIONAL throughout the tournament.</p>								
On Court Doctor	On Court Doctor will be on duty throughout the competition at the tournament Venue.								



Doping Control	<p>Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.</p> <p>Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
Indemnity	<p>To the extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release the BWF, the Tournament Organizers, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents, and representatives, from all liability, damage, loss, cost or expense that such players and members of the national delegation may incur as a result or in connection with their participation to the Tournament.</p>
Badminton Integrity	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a match(es).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
Compliance with GCR 7.9	<p>GCR 7.9: "In making or authorizing entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary Processes."</p>
Technical Officials Briefing	<p>3rd November 2025 (Monday) at 16:00 Hours Venue: Tournament Venue</p>
Team Managers Meeting	<p>3rd November 2025 (Monday) at 17:00 Hours Venue: Tournament Venue</p> <p>* As per BWF Regulations, Each Team must be represented in the Team Manager's Meeting. Failing to attend may result in penalty.</p>
Visa Application	<p>Contingents requiring visa for entry into India, are required to submit Visa Request Form with copies of their passport to arrange visas.</p> <p>(The passport copy, photo and visa application forms must be sent no later than Tuesday, 07 October 2025.)</p> <p>If you require a visa to participate at, or attend the Championships, and are seeking an invitation letter from Badminton Association of India to support your application, please complete the form below to make a request.</p> <p>We recommend that this is submitted no later than Tuesday, 07 October 2025. Please allow a minimum of Five (05) working days for a response - incomplete or incorrect forms will take longer.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the Member Association, Organisation, or individual to apply for the necessary visas in-sufficient time, and all questions regarding visas should be directed to the Embassy in-charge.</p> <p>Badminton Association of India accepts no responsibility for withdrawals or non-attendance made due to late or refused visa applications, and any letter of invitation does not guarantee entry into the INDIA or provide sponsorship of any kind - the final decision is made by INDIA Visas and Immigration</p>



**Hotel /
Accommodation
Reservation**

All expenditures (Hotel and Food) must be borne by the respective National Association/Federation of Participants. Hotel Booking is done through the organizer. Kindly submit the online **Hotel Booking Request**

Celebrity Prime Hospitality	Room Category	Single Occupancy (INR) Per Day	Double Occupancy (INR) Per Day	Other Statutory Charges
CASA HOTEL	Superior Room (47)	6000	6500	12% GST
	Superior Suite Room (8)	8000	9000	12% GST

Inclusions:

- Complimentary buffet breakfast
- Daily 2-liter mineral water
- High-speed Wi-Fi connectivity in the room
- Usage of gymnasium

Kindly note the following:

There are limited rooms available in the hotel. The allotment will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis. Hotel reservations should be made ONLY through the Organizing Committee.

For Reservation, please submit your [Hotel Reservation form](#) no later than **Tuesday, 07th October 2025**.

All the rates mentioned above are inclusive of taxes and complimentary breakfast.

There are limited rooms available in the hotel. The allotment will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. Hotel reservations should be made ONLY through the Organizing Committee.

We will be able to provide accommodation only for those people registered with us on the Hotel Request Form. No guarantee of the availability of rooms can be given for late booking.

NO deviation will be made from the hotel booking procedure as specified below.

1. After receiving the Accommodation Request Form, the organizers shall send instructions regarding the payment to each team.

2. Teams/Players must complete the payment as instructed.

Cancellation Fees:

No cancellation for all confirmed bookings (Guarantee booking applies)

Cancellation of rooms cannot be made at check-in. Injuries, Visa problems or sickness are not valid reasons for cancellation of rooms.

An early departure/amendment of dates after check-in shall be subject to the 100% cancellation fees.

Contact Person: **Mr. Ahmed;**

Email: indiaichyderabad@badmintonindia.org

Mobile / WhatsApp: +91-9701053060



Transportation	Complimentary transportation will be provided from the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad (HYD) to the official hotel for foreign players/officials only. Submit the Flight Details Request Form online, no later than Tuesday, 28th October 2025 .
Practice Sessions	<p>Practice Facility Information: Practice Hall at the Tournament Venue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Courts: 06 • Schedule: 1000 Hrs. to 1600 Hrs. • Booking/Reservation information: Practice courts at the tournament venue will be arranged by the Organiser. Court allocation will be based on the number of players in the team and done on an equitable basis for Monday, 3rd November 2025. The Referee will approve the practice schedule. <p>Practice Request Form need to be submitted no later than Tuesday, 28th October 2025.</p> <p>Competition Courts Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule: Monday, 3rd November 2025 • Number of Courts: 06 • Schedule: 0800 hrs. to 2000 hrs. • Court Mat Color: Green
Accreditation	Kindly submit the Accreditation Request Form no later than Tuesday, 28th October 2025
Medical Services	<p>A medical officer and physiotherapist service will be available during the tournament, free of charge to players. The Physio services will be available with prior appointment and payment of fees directly to the physio.</p> <p>An emergency care unit and free physiotherapy services will be available during the competition schedule.</p>
Indemnity & Insurance	<p>Any participating associations and its delegated competitors / officials should agree to indemnity and not hold the organizing committee accountable for and against any claims for personal injury, financial loss, death or property damage, in any form, arising out of or in any way resulting from the participation in, postponement or cancellation of the said tournament.</p> <p>The organizer will NOT be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his participation in these Championships. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and / or hospitalization shall be borne by the Member Association of the player / official concerned.</p> <p>Please ensure that your players & team officials possess the requisite insurance coverage to meet current requirements.</p>
Media Details Player Media Obligations	<p>It is a condition of entry into BWF sanctioned tournaments that each player, if requested by the BWF, host organizers, or other tournament official, is required to undertake a range of media activities. Please refer to the BWF Player Commitment Regulations for more information (BWF Statute 5.3.6).</p> <p>Member Associations should be prepared to facilitate the attendance of their player(s), if requested.</p>
Video Recording and Photography	<p>Photography is not permitted within the competition venue at any time, and the tournament reserves the right to remove any items of equipment breaching this policy.</p> <p>Video recording within the competition venue is only permitted by accredited players and team officials of participating Member Associations, from clearly defined positions using video accreditation passes. There are a limited number of these positions and passes available, and prior authorization must be obtained in advance from the tournament Competition Manager in Managers Meeting and during event.</p>



Important Deadlines	Items	Deadline	Useful Contacts/Links
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	M&Q Publish Date	Friday 10 th October 2025	Badminton Asia Website & BWF Fan site
	Visa Invitation Letter	Tuesday 07 th October 2025	Visa Request Form: https://form.jotform.com/BAI_Forms/visa-request-telangana-ic
	Hotel Reservation		Hotel Reservation form: https://form.jotform.com/BAI_Forms/hotel-reservation-telangana-ic
	Last Date of Withdrawal without Penalty	Monday 27 th October 2025	Badminton Asia Website & BWF Fan site
	Seeding Ranking Date & Draw's Report	Tuesday 28 th October 2025	
	Flight Details	Tuesday 28 th October 2025	Flight Details Form: https://form.jotform.com/BAI_Forms/arrival-departure-telangana-ic
	Accreditation		Accreditation Form: https://form.jotform.com/BAI_Forms/accred-request-telangana-ic
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