

PRESS NOTE

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SRM AP Star Champion Rushendra Thirupathi Secures Silver at the Yonex-Sunrise Badminton Championship

Badminton star, Rushendra Thirupathi, a first-year BBA student of SRM University-AP, clinched the silver medal in the Men's Singles category at the Yonex-Sunrise 11th Telangana State Senior Badminton Championship 2025. Hailing from the state of Telangana, Rushendra's dedication, discipline and relentless efforts have forged his name in the charts of successful champions in the field of Badminton.

Previously, Rushendra secured gold at the Yonex-Sunrise 46th Junior National Badminton Championships 2023 at Bengaluru and a bronze medal in the NMDC Telangana International Challenge in 2024. After a six-month break, Rushendra returned to the courts with zeal and passion and triumphed through the championship, competing with 142 athletes, placing second after a fierce final match.

After a well-awaited victory, Rushendra expressed his gratitude to his coaches, trainers, and team, who supported him during his time off. He said, "I am sincerely thankful to my coach, mentors, and team from the Gopichand Academy and SRM University-AP, who believed in me and my skills. Their guidance and support empowered me to overcome all difficulties and excel in the championship finals."

Director of Sports, Mr Anup Singh Suryavanshi, applauded his remarkable achievement and congratulated the silver medallist. He commented, "This outstanding accolade is a testament to his fighting spirit and the well-rounded training system and facilities offered at SRM University-AP. We empower our athletes to rise, compete, and conquer national and international tournaments."

Prof Ch. Satish Kumar, Pro Vice Chancellor, appreciated the student. He quoted, "Achievements like this make the university proud and motivates the trainers and coaching team to put in their extra efforts to prepare students for such events"

Prof. Manoj K Arora, Vice Chancellor of SRM AP, also expressed his appreciation for Rushendra, stating that the accomplishments of the rising sports star reflect the university's spirit—ambitious and unstoppable. He commented, "We take immense pride in the ecosystem SRM AP has built to nurture excellence in sports and support our athletes to be champions of national pride." The university continues to nurture athletes in various fields, offering divergent training and world-class facilities to generate sporting aces of the country.