

Lakshya Sen becomes World No 1 Junior Badminton Player

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DEHRADUN: The 15-year-old shuttler from Almora, Lakshya Sen, created history on Thursday after he became the number one Junior Singles Badminton player in the world in the latest rankings of the Badminton World Federation (BWF).

Lakshya, who is considered as the shining future star of Indian Badminton, moved ahead of Chia Hao Lee of the Chinese Taipei, to attain the top spot.

Dr. Akhilesh Das Gupta, President, Badminton Association of India congratulated Lakshya Sen on this occasion wish him to bring laurels to the Country in future as well.

According to BWF current Rankings, as on 02-02-2017, Lakshya has 16,903 points in eight Tournaments he has played in the season while Chia Hao, who is at the second spot, has 16,091 points.

India will be a Badminton powerhouse in the near future. The young shuttler has had a brilliant year on the Badminton circuit in 2016, as he won the Senior India International Series Badminton Tournament along with the All India Senior Ranking Badminton Tournament at Itanagar.

15 year old Lakshya Sen is the current Junior National Champion (Under-19). Lakshya's progress has been steady and he won the Bronze Medal in the Under-17 in BAC Championship at Kudus, Indonesia in 2015 and won the Bronze Medal in the under-19 Badminton Asia Confederation Championships at Thailand in 2016. Lakshya, to his credit, has won the Wimbledon Junior, Danish Junior and Swiss Junior in the past.

He has also shown progress in the Senior category this season by winning his first International Series Title in 2016 beating Malaysian prodigy Zii Jia Lee.



Lakshya Sen has been training in Bangalore at the Prakash Padukone Badminton Academy since the age of 10 under the watchful eyes of Prakash Padukone and Vimal Kumar. He has also received Olympic Gold Quest support since the age of 11.

Earlier, his brother Chirag Sen was ranked number two in the World Junior Badminton rankings. However, the younger sibling has surpassed his elder brother's achievement.
