

Kidambi Srikanth Reaches Third Straight Final in Syed Modi GPG

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- **Kidambi Srikanth will take on China's Huang Yuxiang in the final of the Syed Modi International Badminton Championship in Lucknow.**

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India's Kidambi Srikanth came out with a fantastic performance to ease past Thai 11th seed Boonsak Ponsana in straight games to enter the Men's Singles final of the \$120,000 Syed Modi International Badminton Championships on Saturday.

Top seed Srikanth needed just 32 minutes to come out on top with a 21-14, 21-7 victory in the Semi-final at the Babu Banarasi Das Indoor Stadium, which made him extend his career record to 3-1 against Ponsana.

A finalist here the last two years, Srikanth will be playing the Grand Prix Gold tournament title match for the third straight year hoping to be third time lucky.

In the first game, the 22-year-old took flight to earn an early 11-6 lead from where he won the next five points to make it 16-6. World No.28 Ponsana tried closing the gap but it was a bit too much for the Thai shuttler to take it to the wire.

World No.9 Srikanth raced away to a huge lead in the second game too which he kept extending, eventually winning 21 of the 28 points played in the game. From 12-6, he lost only one point in the next 10 played to clinch the game, match and enter the summit clash.

In the title clash, he will take on China's Huang Yuxiang.
