

LeapStart's National Badminton Championship to hit Bangalore

A platform for students to exhibit their skills and expertise at national level

Bangalore, August 10th, 2016: Bangalore based LeapStart's **fourth edition of the National Badminton Championship** successfully flagged off in Chennai last week and now moves to **Bangalore**. The tournament is set to witness participation from 1,500 children from 100 schools, across 6 cities.

The Championship will continue in Bangalore from the 10th to 12th August at the **Citi Nest Sports Centre, Indiranagar**, following which it will hit Hyderabad, Pune, Delhi and Mumbai respectively for Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15 age groups for both boys and girls. The finale will be held in **Bangalore in September**.

"I am always asked the age-old question of why can't India produce more international athletes and medal winners? I believe the answer is - The lack of access and opportunities to play in competitive tournaments. LeapStart firmly believes in development of grass roots sport and providing such platforms is fundamental to our model", says **Dhruv Nagarkatti, CEO, LeapStart**.

Scores Update of the Chennai tournament:

- **Under 11 boys-** Winner: S Hemanadeswar (KAP Vishwanathan Higher Sec School) beat B Nithin (Chennai Public School) 15-14, 15-7
- **Under 13 boys-** Winner : Sree Harish (Le Chatelier Matriculation) beat SathyaNiranjan 15-9, 15-11
- **Under 15 boys-** Bharat (MIRS) beat Prasanna Narayanan (MIRS) 15-8, 15-10
- **Under 11 Girls-** N Srinidhi (Vel'sVidhyashram CBSE Pallavaram) beat Karen Austin (Rosary Mat Hr School) 11-10, 11-5
- **Under 13 Girls-** Praveena (Minerva Public School) beat Vedavalli (PS Chidambaram Nadar Senior Eng School) 11-7, 11-9
- **Under 15 girls-** Oviya Paul (Monfort MHSS) beat N Vidyalakshmi (Vel'sVidhyashram CBSE Pallavaram) 11-4, 11-2

About LeapStart:

LeapStart, part of **FitKids Education & Training**, headquartered in **Bangalore**, is India's Premiere Sports & Physical Education program which offers complete sport and fitness solutions for children from Kindergarten to Grade 12. The curriculum has been designed in partnership with SPARK (Sports, Play and Active Recreation for Kids), a US-based research and public health organisation developed in the University of San Diego.

About FitKids:

FitKids Education and Training Pvt. Ltd., established in 2010, is India's premier company providing complete solutions in Sports & Physical Education, Creative Movement, S.T.E.M. and Career Counselling for children from Kindergarten to Grade 12. The programmes are holistic and age appropriate for school students and are designed to keep them active, fit and creative. Headquartered in Bangalore, FitKids currently has 200 schools in its portfolio across 70 cities in India.

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