



#### THABITHA FFARLESS FOR HER AGE

Thabitha is proving to be a rising star! Having won two gold medals-girls' 100 m hurdles and long jump-at the Asian Youth Athletics Championships in Hong Kong recently, Thabitha has now set her sight on the IAAF World Under-18 championships. Hope Dame Luck would smile at this talented, ambitious young performer and help her win more accolades and medals!

#### **DISCIPLINE**

Athletics-hurdles, long jump, and triple jump.

#### **BEGINNING**

According to Thabitha and her father Philip Maheswaran (an auto driver), winning the 200 m event at her school annual sports day, when she was 12, inspired her to become an athlete. She joined the St. Joseph's Sports Academy in 2014, when she was 13, and started training under P. Nagarajan.

May her dreams come true as she is eying to succeed in the IAAF World Under-18 championships, for which the dates are yet to be set. Strong Points: Nagarajan says Thabitha's height (1.67 m) and speed (sprinting) are her highlights. He feels that her physique is suited for athletics and that she is a natural athlete.

He adds: "She is fearless for her age. I mean, you set her any task or challenge or aim and she isn't daunted by it. She willingly and confidently undertakes it. So, you may say she's psychologically strong."

September Event: In the South Zone Junior Athletics Championship 2019, Thabitha won two gold medals and set a New South Zone Record in the 100 m hurdles at 14.34 sec. The old record was 14.53 sec some 7 years back!

P.M. Thabitha has to her credit winning the U-16 category long jump (5.98 M) while she also claimed the Best Athlete Award in the Tamil Nadu Junior Interdistrict Athletics Championships.



# **CAREER GRAPH**

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2015-16 80 m hurdles bronze at the school nationals.

2016 Long jump bronze and 100 m hurdles gold at the junior state championships, and 100 m hurdles bronze at the junior nationals.

100 m hurdles silver at the school nationals. 2016-17

2017 Long jump bronze at the senior state championships.

2018 100 m hurdles silver at the junior nationals, long jump gold at the senior state championships, long jump and 100 m hurdles gold at the junior state championships,

100 m hurdles silver at the youth nationals.

Long jump silver and 100 m hurdles and triple jump gold 2018-19

at the school nationals.

2019 Long jump and 100 m hurdles gold at the youth nationals

> and Khelo India Youth Games. Long jump and 100 m hurdles gold at the Asian Youth Athletics Championships

at Hong Kong.

2019 100m hurdles gold and a new record (14.34 Sec) in the

South Zone Junior Athletics Championship 2019.



#### **SACHIN** (BOXING)

Who can but not be in awe when we think of Sachin, who shone when he won the gold medal in the Kanchi Kings Boxing Academy State level boxing championship 2019 in the U-12 subjunior level at Decathlon in the 35–37 kg weight category.

Laurels did not stop there for Sachin! He won the gold medal in the Venkatesan Memorial State Level Boxing Championship 2019, organized by the Sakthi Universal Style Boxing Club in the Youth Boy's level at Nariyambakkam, Kanchipuram, in the 38 kg weight category.

Sachin added more feathers to his cap when he won the gold medal in the All India Interstate Invitation Boxing Championship 2019, organized by the Chennai Corporation Boxing Club in the 43 kg weight category.



# **SWETHA STEFFI (TABLE TENNIS)**

Showing off her prowess in table tennis, Swetha won the 1st place in the Kongu Trophy 2019–20, 20th State Level InterCollegiate tournament at Erode.

Swetha Steffi was a semifinalist in the Youth Girl's event in the Indian Oil Tamil Nadu State Table Tennis Championships 2019 organized by the Centre Court Table Tennis Club under the auspices of the Chennai District Table Tennis Association and the Tamil Nadu Table Tennis Association at SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Kattankulathur, Chennai.

Further, she has made strides with her talent by participating in the UTT National Ranking Table Tennis Championships 2019 (East Zone) held at Howrah, West Bengal, from 18 to 25 October 2019.



## **SARANYA (CHESS)**

Think Chess! Think Brain Power! Saranya proved to the world she has been endowed with clever thinking when she won the first prize as well as the Women & Best Women's Award in the A. S. Subbaraman Blitz memorial open tournament.

Saranya Y. participated in Category A of the 2nd Gujarat International Open Grandmasters Chess Tournament in 2019. She scored 5½ points out of possible 10 rounds and secured the 78th place on the merit list.



# ANITHA S (ATHLETICS)

Kudos to Anitha as she has managed to win the first place in high jump in the subjunior girl's category of the Reliance Foundation School of Athletics, 2019–20 held at Chennai(height: 1.30 m).

Anitha S (football) won the match at the SGFI State selections. She has been selected for the Nationals; she is eagerly waiting to go to Haryana in the first week of December.





#### மாநில கால்பந்து அணிக்கு மாணவிகள் தேர்வு



மேக்நிலைப்பள்ளி மாணவி பென்னனாட்டு ஆ. 13-மாநில அளவில் நடைபெடும் மில் பங்கேந்தின் போட்டி பில் பங்கேந்திக் செல்லும் மாணவிகளை ஆறிப்பி வைத்தனர். மாநில அளவில் நடக் கும் 14 வயத்க்குப்பட்ட சப் ஜூவியில் வகும் பேரட்டி, ஜார்கண்ட் மாநி லம், ராஞ்சியில் வகும் 16ம் முதல் 22ம் தேதி

வரை நடக்கிறது. இதில், தமிழக அணி சார்பில் பங்கேற்க உள்ள பெண்ணாடம் அடுத்த பெண்ணாடம் அடுத்த இறையூர் அருணா மேல்நி லைப் பள்ளி மாணவிகள் லைப் பள்ளி மாணவிகள் ஜணனி, மதுமிதா, மதுமதி, மோனிகா, பிரியதர்ஷினி, ஜெயபிரதா, பிருந்தா, காயத்ரி தேவி, காளீஸ்வரி, காயதா தேவி, காள்ஸிவா, பூஜா, அனிதா, வினோ தினி, ரஞ்சனி, ரேஷ்மா, நிவேதா, அபிநயா, தீபிகா,

\_\_\_\_\_னர். ஆவர்களை பள்ளிச் செயல்ர் ஞானபிரகாசம் பாராட்டி, வழி அனுப்பி வைத்தார். தலை

் அனுப்பி எவத்தார். தலைமை ஆசிரியர் கோபி, மாவட்ட உடற் கல்வி ஆய்வர் ராஜ மாணிக்கம், பயிற்சியாளர் கள் ராஜா, முருகாவந்தம், லதா, ஆசிரியர்கள் உடனி ருந்தனர்.

## **MEENATCHI (FOOTBALL)**

Meenatchi is a football player in the girl's U-17 category. She won the semifinal (Nellai Nadar School versus Okkiam Thuraipakkam) with a score of 4-0. Okkiam Thuraipakkam won the match; Meenatchi scored two goals.



## B. SAVITHA SHRI (CHESS)

Yet again a winner in Chess! B. Savitha Shri presently holds the 8th rank in the World Female U-12 category in the game. She also won the 2nd Best Woman award in the Biel Blitz tournament.

She finished in the 12th place in the World Chess Championship tournament in the Under 12 category.

The sky is the limit when it comes to aspiring and achieving for all our candidates. They have set high standards for themselves and are pushing themselves hard to do better than their best. Marked improvements have been observed with time in their success tournaments.

As a means of expanding our horizons, we are focusing on exceptional dancers and musical instrument players who can participate in contests and shine.

We are continuously monitoring the progress of other candidates by being in regular touch with them as well as their coaches. Some new applications have also been received and our selection panellists are in the process of assessing their merit and considering them for adoption by the Energy Projekt.