President, BAI announced reward of Rs.10 lacs to Saina Nehwal

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Dr. Akhilesh Das Gupta, President of the Badminton Association of India on Sunday announced a reward of Rs. Ten lakh for ace shuttler Saina Nehwal on winning the Women's Singles in India Open Super Series Badminton tournament.



"This is a big achievement for Saina and Indian Badminton. Young players will get encouragement. Today she has proved that she is really World's no 1 and therefore BAI announces 10 lakh rupees cash award for Saina," said Dr. Das.

Meanwhile, the ace Badminton player's father Harvir Singh Nehwal expressed his delight over his daughter's achievement. "This is matter of great happiness. Since the last six months she is playing good and this victory will also boost her morale," he said.

Earlier in the day, Nehwal lifted the singles crown of the India Open Super Series Badminton tournament. Nehwal defeated former world champion Thailand's Ratchanok Intanon 21-16, 21-14 in the final at the Siri Fort Indoor Complex. India's poster girl Saina Nehwal ensured to break the Chinese domination in the field of Women's Badminton as she took over the distant dream of becoming World No. 1! Undoubtedly the biggest Badminton star – Saina Nehwal achieved the inevitable glory as she took over the World No. 1 rankings to script history.

At the Indian Open Super Series 2015, the India's Badminton pride scaled yet another highly rated achievement to make her Nation proud. Nehwal's journey, since turning pro in 2006 has only seen an upward curve, be it winning an Olympic Medal or winning a staggering 14 career Titles. All the credit goes to her hard work and determination.
