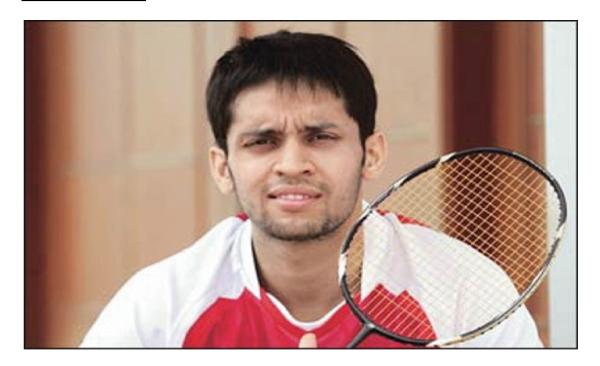
Top Indian Badminton Player Parupalli Kashyap launches Shuttle Express in Lucknow



Lucknow: 20 Jul 2013, India's top men's Badminton player Parupalli Kashyap launched the Indian Badminton League's 'Shuttle Express' school initiative at the La Martiniere Boys School on Friday.

The School Championship is being held under the aegis of the Uttar Pradesh Badminton Association from 20-21. The winners in the boys and girls singles categories will play the finals in August.

Speaking at the launch, World No.13 Kashyap said, "Shuttle Express will provide an excellent platform to badminton aspirants who are looking at pursuing the sport seriously."

Also talking about the initiative was Badminton Association of India (BAI) president Akhilesh Das Gupta, who said, "It gives us immense joy and pride to introduce the IBL school programme initiative Shuttle Express to lakhs of students across the country."

The Shuttle Express will offer an incentive of Rs.10 lakh in prize money to the winners while the finalists will also be given an opportunity to train at the Pullela Gopichand Academy.
