

- ▶ **Newly appointed Vice-Chancellor of Calicut University in January 2026**  
Dr.P. Raveendran

- ▶ **A project launched by the Department of General Education to provide opportunities for mother tongue studies to students in oriental schools in the state**  
Malayalashree

- ▶ **Indian women badminton player who announced her retirement from badminton in January 2026**

Saina Nehwal

- Saina is described as India's Iron Butterfly.
- Saina Nehwal is an Indian badminton player who won a bronze medal at the 2012 London Olympics. She became the first Indian badminton player to win an Olympic medal and the first Indian to reach the semifinals of the badminton singles event at the Olympics.
- She won a bronze medal at the World Badminton Championships in 2017.
- She won gold at the Commonwealth Games in 2010 and 2018.
- She won bronze medals at the Asian Games in 2014 and 2018.
- Saina Nehwal is also the first Indian woman player to reach the world number one position in badminton.
- She received the Arjuna Award in 2009 and the Khel Ratna Award in 2010.
- She was honored by the country with the Padma Shri in 2010 and the Padma Bhushan in 2016.



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