

## Corvuss American Academy Announces India's Squash Aces Dipika Pallikal Karthik & Saurav Ghosal to Advise & Mentor Student Athletes

**MUMBAI:** June 12, 2020 - Corvuss American Academy is excited to have on board two of India's top Squash athletes — Dipika Pallikal Karthik and Saurav Ghosal - as advisors to student athletes enrolled in the Squash program at the boarding school. They will also conduct motivational talks for the squash student athletes during the academic year.

"It is an honour to have pro-level Indian squash players like Dipika and Saurav mentor young athletes at our school," said Kunal Maria, CEO and co-founder of Corvuss American Academy. "Their hard work, their journey and achievements are an inspiration to budding athletes. Along with our Squash partner, the world-renowned Amir Wagih and Head Coach Mohamed Fawaz, we are excited about providing young athletes more opportunities to hone their skills and develop the next generation of squash players at Corvuss."

Dipika was the first Indian to break into the Top 10 of the Professional Squash Circuit. After successfully reaching No. 1 in the European Squash Under 19 rankings she made her way to the Senior Circuit and steadily climbed the ladder which brought her to the coveted ranking of 10. She was conferred the Arjuna Award in 2012 at the age of 20 and later in 2014 she was the recipient of the prestigious Padmashri. "I am happy to be associated with Corvuss American Academy and look forward to working with the team in developing squash players who would do India proud," said Ms. Pallikal Karthik. "Hard work and a strong will, choosing the right atmosphere to study and train were the secrets of my success, and I am happy to share my experiences with students at Corvuss."

Saurav Ghosal reached a career-high world ranking of World No. 10 in April 2019. In 2013, Saurav became the first Indian to reach the Quarter finals of the World Squash Championship at Manchester, England. In 2004, he became the first Indian ever to win the coveted British Junior Open Under-19 Squash title. Saurav was awarded the Arjuna Award by the President of India in August 2007.

"I believe that Corvuss American Academy is a wonderful initiative for students who want to combine academics and sports under one roof," said Mr. Ghosal. "It is crucial to balance both as it opens up different pathways for the future, and I look forward to mentoring young athletes and sharing my experiences."

## **Corvuss American Academy**

<u>Corvuss American Academy</u>, is the first of its kind international boarding school in India for student athletes. Borrowing from best practices of US prep schools and academies in Europe, Corvuss has developed an integrated program, which combines academics and elite sports training for students from grades 6 to 12.



The school will provide training programs in seven elite sports - Basketball, Cricket, Football, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field - which have been developed under the mentorship of our internationally renowned sports partners. We are committed to helping girls and boys talented in sports develop their skills to their fullest potential, pursue an internationally recognised academic degree and leverage their athletic and academic abilities to pursue admissions in colleges globally.

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