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AITA to introduce National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship with ₹10 lakh prize money

Hyderabad to host inaugural National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship from October 24 to 30

New Delhi, September 15, 2026: The **All India Tennis Association (AITA)** will introduce the **National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship 2026**, bringing the mixed doubles format into India's national championship calendar as a dedicated competition for the first time.

The inaugural championship will carry a **₹10 lakh prize purse** and bring together leading men and women players from across the country for a national-level mixed doubles competition.

Telangana State Tennis Association has initiated the championship, which will be held on outdoor hard courts at the **Jubilee Hills International Centre (JHIC)**, Hyderabad, from **October 24 to 30, 2026**.

The Telangana State Tennis Association has been entrusted with hosting the championship for the next three years, providing a stable platform for the new national event to grow and establish itself as a regular feature of the Indian tennis calendar.

The tournament will feature a **32-team main draw**, with qualifying scheduled to begin on October 24. The ₹10 lakh prize purse further underlines AITA's commitment to creating meaningful competitive and professional opportunities for players on the domestic circuit.

Speaking about the introduction of the championship, **Sunder Iyer, Hon. Secretary General, AITA**, said that "The introduction of the National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship is an important step in Indian tennis, as we are creating a dedicated national platform for mixed doubles for the first time in the country. It brings together our men and women players in a national championship environment and provides them with an opportunity to develop partnerships and compete in a format that is important at the international level".

"Mixed doubles is an important format at major multi-sport events such as the Asian Games and the Olympics. This championship will provide our players with valuable competitive experience and an opportunity to develop partnerships with the longer-term objective of representing India."

"With a ₹10 lakh prize purse, we want to make this a meaningful competitive opportunity for the players. We are thankful to Telangana Tennis Association, who will host the championship for the next three years, with this, we are creating continuity that will allow the event to grow into an important annual feature of AITA's domestic professional circuit."

K.R. Raman, President, Telangana State Tennis Association, said "We are delighted that Telangana has been chosen to host the inaugural National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship. It is a special opportunity for Telangana to be part of a new chapter in Indian tennis, and we are proud to host the championship for the next three years.



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“We look forward to welcoming India’s leading players and officials to Hyderabad and providing them with a world-class setting at JHIC. We are confident that this championship will grow from strength to strength and become an important annual event on the Indian tennis calendar.”

The introduction of the championship adds a new dimension to India’s domestic tennis calendar by bringing the men’s and women’s games together in a dedicated national competition. It will provide doubles specialists with a platform to build partnerships, compete against the country’s best players and further develop their mixed doubles skills.

The National Tennis Mixed Doubles Championship 2026 is part of AITA’s efforts to expand competitive opportunities for Indian players, strengthen the doubles pathway and create a sustainable platform for the development of mixed doubles at the national level.

K.R. Raman, President of the Telangana State Tennis Association, will oversee the hosting of the inaugural championship in Hyderabad, with the Telangana State Tennis Association responsible for the conduct of the event.

About the All India Tennis Association (AITA)

The All India Tennis Association is the national governing body for tennis in India, responsible for the promotion, development and administration of the sport across the country. Through innovative initiatives and strategic partnerships, AITA is committed to creating world-class opportunities for players at every level and strengthening India’s position in global tennis.