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Asian Para Games 2026: Thulasimathi-Nitesh enter badminton final

Thulasimathi Murugesan and Nitesh Kumar advanced to the mixed doubles SL3-SU5 final at the Asian Para Games 2026.

A prestigious multi-sport continental event held for elite athletes with physical impairments, featuring the 2026 edition in Nagoya, Japan.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- Thulasimathi Murugesan and Nitesh Kumar defeated China's Li Mingpan and Xiao Zuxian in the semifinal.
- The thrilling semifinal match between the Indian and Chinese pairs lasted for 42 minutes.
- Manisha Ramdass and Pramod Bhagat secured a bronze medal after losing to Indonesia's Leani Ratri Oktila and Hikmat Ramdani.
- The semifinal scoreline of Manisha Ramdass and Pramod Bhagat was 21-16, 13-21, 17-21.
- The Asian Para Games 2026 tournament events are hosted in Nagoya.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

Thulasimathi Murugesan represents **Tamil Nadu** in international para-badminton circuits.

Badminton **SL3-SU5** classification covers players with lower limb and upper limb impairments.

Nagoya is located in **Japan**, serving as the host city for the 2026 Asian Para Games.

Major Dhyan Chand **National Sports Day** is celebrated annually on **August 29** in India.

Major sports awards in India include the Major Dhyan Chand **Khel Ratna Award** and the **Arjuna Award** .

The Asian Para Games is a multi-sport event regulated by the **Asian Paralympic Committee**.

REVISION FLASHCARD

Thulasimathi Murugesan and Nitesh Kumar reached the mixed doubles SL3-SU5 final at the Asian Para Games 2026.

Syllabus Relevance: Highly relevant for TNPSC Unit 2 questions regarding international sports achievements by Indian athletes.

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