

## ROOPA CHAUHAN BLITZES THROUGH BARRIERS:

Navigating the Game of Kabaddi to Seize Transformative Opportunities in the #SportForChange Program

In the vibrant city of Lucknow, U.P., our #SportForChange program is making waves in schools, especially among young girls whose passion for sport got channelised. One shining example is Roopa, whose journey is a testament to the transformative power of sport.

Roopa, a spirited young talent, found her love for the game of Kabaddi through our EduSports sports education and PathwayZ sports excellence program running in a cluster of 20+ public schools in Lucknow and Noida supported by the HCL Foundation. Since her higher education, she's been under the guidance of trainers from Sportz Village Foundation, honing her skills and rising to remarkable heights. From a novice to a formidable player, Roopa's confidence soared within the crucible of her school, where her distinctive playing style was identified.



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Roopa's winning streak continues beyond school premises. She actively participated in national and state games, gaining recognition as a noteworthy player. Despite life's challenges, her family, consisting of four members, supports her wholeheartedly. Roopa's elder brother, despite forgoing formal education, shoulders the family's responsibilities.

In an exclusive interview, Roopa expressed gratitude to Sportz Village Foundation and HCL Foundation for their unwavering support; and confessed how friends and teachers played a crucial role in guiding her to success.

Roopa's family, despite facing adversities, remains a pillar of encouragement. In the face of substantial loans, they rally behind Roopa's sporting dreams. Her story is a beacon of hope, and we believe she will scale even greater heights in her nascent career in and beyond sports.

Let's cheer for Roopa as she embodies the spirit of #SportForChange, proving that sports can truly shape a brighter future for youth and communities.



