

SPORTS CONCLAVE



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- Provide a lifelong learning experience



# About Tech-Set-Go

Technology and Sports have a dynamic relationship. Technology has enhanced athletic performance and changed how sports are played, watched, monetized, and regulated. It has blurred the lines between human and machine capabilities while creating new ways of measuring performance and outcomes. While Technology is a powerful enabler and performance booster, it also raises questions about its limits and possible downsides. We must observe, reflect, and critically assess its impact

# IN THIS SESSION

- Hear from an expert panel on how technology is redefining, reshaping, and reconfiguring various areas within sport.
- Explore the role of technology from the perspective of sports professionals, league owners, rights holders, and fans.
- Understand and appreciate the power of technology as you navigate its impact on the world of sport.

# WHO SHOULD ATTEND



Aspiring students aiming for a career in sports management



Early-career professionals involved in the production, distribution, or monetization of sports



Senior executives, entrepreneurs, and decision-makers across the sports ecosystem—including leagues, events, marketing, commercialization, governance, and advisory services

### **Session 1**

# Technology as the lever for transforming Indian sports

Technology and sport are evolving together in powerful ways. From how athletes train and compete, to how fans engage, rights are monetized, and policies are shaped—every facet of sport is being reshaped by technology. It is a powerful enabler and a proven performance enhancer. Yet, it also raises important questions: What are the unintended consequences? Where should we draw the line? This panel invites you to explore the opportunities, challenges, and ethical considerations at the intersection of sport and technology.

### Listen. Think. Question.



Viren Rasquinha

Managing Director & CEO – Olympic Gold Quest. Also former Captain of the India Hockey Team



Prasanth Shanthakumaran

Partner & Head, Digital Engineering and Quality & Sports Sector Leader, KPMG



**Sidhhant Agarwal** 

Founder & CEO - SportVot

### **Session 2**

# From sports field to a future career - is tech the answer?

Elite athletes often face educational and professional disruptions early in life. As careers on the field evolve or end, how can technology help them transition into sustainable futures? This panel will explore how technologe education and career tools can address key challenges such as skill gaps, financial insecurity, and limited access to professional networks. Can technology create new pathways for growth and inclusion in the sports ecosystem—and beyond? Let's explore how to make that vision a reality.

### **Empower. Equip. Evolve.**



Heena Sidhu

OLY, Arjuna Award Winner and former World Champion & Commonwealth Gold Medallist, Shooting



Aarushi Jain

Partner TMT, Head-Media, Education & Gaming, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas

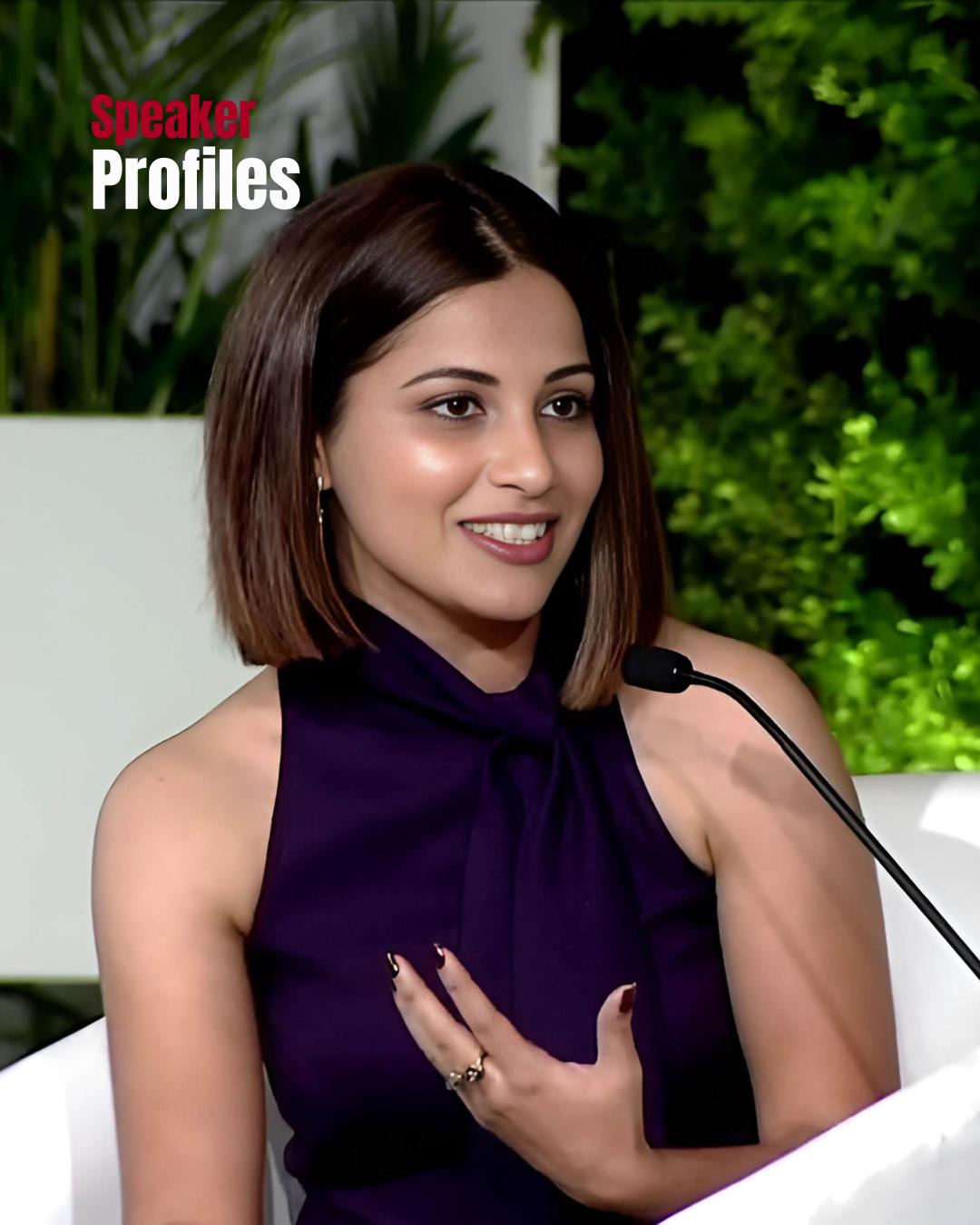


Preeti Pariat Mehta

Tournament Director,
Reliance Foundation Youth
Sports

## Conclave Schedule

1:55 PM Onwards	Lunch and departures
1:50 – 1:55 PM	Vote of Thanks
1:05 – 1:50 PM	Panel Discussion 'Sports field to a future career– is Tech the answer' followed by Q&A  Elite athletes often face educational and professional disruptions early in life. As careers on the field evolve or end, how can technology help them transition into sustainable futures? This panel will explore how tech–enabled education and career tools can address key challenges such as skill gaps, financial insecurity, and limited access to professional networks. Can technology create new pathways for growth and inclusion in the sports ecosystem—and beyond? Let's explore how to make that vision a reality.
12:55 –1:05 PM	Introduction to the 3 Panel members for Panel 2
12:45 – 12:55PM	Tea/Coffee Break
12:00 -12:45PM	Panel Discussion 'Technology as a lever for transforming sports', followed by Q&As  Technology and sport are evolving together in powerful ways. From how athletes train and compete, to how fans engage, rights are monetized, and policies are shaped—every facet of sport is being reshaped by technology. It is a powerful enabler and a proven performance enhancer. Yet, it also raises important questions: What are the unintended consequences? Where should we draw the line? This panel invites you to explore the opportunities, challenges, and ethical considerations at the intersection of sport and technology.
11:45- 11:55 AM	Introduction to the 3 Panel members for Panel 1
11:30 – 11:40 AM	Welcome Address by Dr Shailesh Kumar (Dean, Jio Institute)
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Campus Tour (Building A only – G, 2nd , 3rd, 4th ,6th and proceed to 5th)
11:00 AM	Welcome (Ground Floor - Building A), Registration & Refreshments





# Viren Rasquinha

Viren Rasquinha is a <u>field hockey</u> player and the former captain of the <u>Indian national team</u> having played more than 180 matches for the country. He represented India at the <u>2004 Athens Olympics</u> and been part of the team that won Gold at the Asia Cup at Kuala Lumpur and at the Afro Asian Games in 2003. He quit international hockey in 2008 to pursue management studies at the Indian School of Business, Hyderabad from where he graduated in 2009 and straight joined OGQ.

Olympic Gold Quest (OGQ), a not-for-profit foundation that supports Indian athletes in their endeavour to win Olympic and Paralympic medals, was founded by Geet Sethi and Prakash Padukone. OGQ has the place of pride in Indian Olympic story. Under Viren's leadership, OGQ has played a key role in 13 out of the 21 medals that India has won in 2012, 2016, 2020 and 2024 Olympics. Also athletes supported by OGQ won 25 of the 29 medals at the 2024 Paris Paralympics. Along with Pullela Gopichand and Abhinav Bindra, he was also a member of the PMO Task Force that prepared India's plans for the Olympic Games in 2020, 2024 and 2028.



# Heena Sidhu

A two-time Olympian, Arjuna Awardee, former World No. 1, and World Record holder in pistol shooting, Heena Sidhu has stood at the pinnacle of global sport. With a career spanning almost two decades and a sharp eye for detail, she's shaping how future champions train and think by driving conversations about sports science, biomechanics, mental health, and work-life balance. With a deep commitment to performance, growth mindset and persistence, she brings unique insights from her journey on the world stage.



# Aarushi Jain

Aarushi Jain is a partner in the Technology
Practice at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas. She
heads the Media, Education and Gaming Practice
verticals at the firm. Over the years, she has
advised several clients, Indian and domestic, on
varied legal, commercial and regulatory issues.
She has also advised on IP advisory mandates, as
well as issues stemming from advertising laws,
data protection and digital privacy, cybersecurity
amongst other new age issues arising due to new
business models, including those relating to online
gaming, sports and e-sports



# Preeti Pariat Mehta

With almost 40 years of experience under her belt, Preeti Pariat Mehta has grown and developed with the Sport & Entertainment Event Management Industry in India.

Over these 4 decades Preeti has implemented and delivered top class events covering Golf, Polo, Aquatics, Billiards, Adventure Sport, Hockey, Cricket, Football, Athletics, Kabaddi and Fashion Weeks, the most notable being the World Billiards Championships 1999, ICC Cricket World Cup 20011 & 2007, ICC T20 Cricket World Cup 2016, FIH Hockey World Cup 2010, Kabaddi World Cup 2016, ICC Champions Trophy 2006, Champions League T20 2011& 2009, Lakme India Fashion Week, Asian Golf Tour events like the India Open and The Gadgil Western Masters, The Four Square Challenge (adventure sport), Reliance Foundation School Sports competitions in Football and Athletics amongst others. Preeti is the Tournament Director with Reliance Foundation Youth Sports doing grassroot development in Football.



# Sidhhant Agarwal

Sidhhant Agarwal has over 13 years of experience working in engineering and product roles at Oracle and Cashcare. Prior to SportVot, Sidhhant also created a gaming platform and in partnership with Nazara games was distributed in multiple countries. Sidhhant is now the founder and CEO of SportVot since 2019. SportVot is India's well known sports tech start up that is fast democratising play out of live sports matches using streaming tech and remote production. The company has live streamed more than 3 lacs events across India, Australia and Europe in last 3 years.

# Prasanth Shanthakumaran



Prasanth has over thirty years of work experience in the leadership position in consulting, and services industry. Currently he is a Partner with KPMG in India and leads Digital Engineering (DEQ) practice and the Sports sector. In his overall professional career, he has been involved in business activities in over 25 countries and has undertaken challenging assignments in Sports consulting, IT transformation and customer centricity.

Prasanth is on the advisory board of multiple sporting and educational entities including IIM Bodh Gaya and Prakash Padukone Badminton Association.

His passion includes playing football and grooming youngsters into sports and technology. He has actively played multiple sports like Cricket, Football, Badminton etc., including representing Basingstoke, UK in competitive Badminton league.



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