

Most Popular Sports Personality of the Year - Male

SAKETH MYNENI (TENNIS)

1. He was the First player from Telugu states to represent in a Grand slam Tourney Men's main draw singles event. He participated in US OPEN -2016 main singles draw as a qualifier. He won the three matches in a row to qualify for main Draw. He fought with world 49th ranker jiri vesely of Czech Republic in first round and lost in five sets. In 2016 he participated in other three grand slam (Australian open, French open, Wimbledon) qualifying events.
2. He achieved his career best singles rank (137) in 2016. He was the India's No.1 Player for throughout the year.
3. He played crucial role in India's victory against South Korea in Davis cup Asia Oceania-2016 semi-final match in July. Later In September he played against Spain team in world group play-off match.
4. He won the doubles title in April at Nanjing (china) ATP Challenger event.