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SUB-JUNIOR & CHALLENGER SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2010
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Tarunikha Pratap wins GOLD

Tarunikha Pratap with some brilliant and powerful rowing staved off a stiff challenge from both the Orissa and Kerala Scullers to clinch the **GOLD** in the Girl's Single Sculls event. This Gold incidentally was coming to Tamilnadu after a lapse of 7 years. The last Gold medalist in this event was none other than Swathy Sanjay in the year 2003. Well done Tarunikha! We are indeed proud of you and the near flawless rowing that you displayed in the finals.

In the women's section we also won a GOLD each in the Girl's 2- and the Girl's 4-. Kudos to the members of those teams too.

It has to be said that Kerala and Orissa who are normally the stiffest opposition, entered only in the Single Sculls event this year, thereby rendering the Gold in that event that much more sweeter.

In the boy's section the performance was unfortunately not upto the mark and we failed to pick up any medals. The strongest performance amongst the boys came from the Pair of **Karn Rao** and **Lakshman Satish** who were unlucky to lose their races by very narrow margins. A

word of praise must go to the Double Sculls of **Sanjay N Gandhi** and **NG Praneeth**. Praneeth was the youngest member of the team. In fact Praneeth was given special permission to participate, in view of the sustained interest he has shown in the sport over the last few years.

In the Challenger Sprint Category, the Double Scull of Siddharth Yadav and Vishal Sudhakar did not make it among the medals, although they did put up some spirited fights.

GOLD MEDALISTS

| | Girls |
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| 1x | Tarunikha Pratap |
| 2- | Dana Philips Aditi Subramanian |
| 4- | Dana Philips Aditi Subramanian Sarah Tamilkani Peter Madhumita Shankar |



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