

Tanvi, India's first female professional Stand Up Paddle Racer. Co - Founder of @desisupstars which aims to promote Stand Up Paddle India, encourage more Youth and empower women to do Stand Up Paddling.

She began surfing at the age of 9 and have accumulated experience, skills, accolades and bruises in her past 10 years of surfing.

She represents India in SUP World CUP, often times being the only participant from India at these competitions.

Her tryst with SUP and surfing began with at Mantra Surf Club in Mangalore and the team at Mantra Surf Club has been instrumental in her growth as a sportsperson and a role model. Since she started this life-altering journey of being India's first female professional SUP racer, she has participated in several national and international level events, culminating to a 'first place' position at the SUP nationals & multiple events.

Name: Tanvi Jagadish
Age: 19 years old
City: Mangalore, Karnataka

Sports: Stand Up Paddling, SUP Surfing

Key Accolades:

- First Place in women's national level Stand up Paddling championship at Indian Open of Surfing 2017
- Second place in women's national level stand up paddling championship Covelong point surf festival 2017
- Bronze medal in Singapore Ocean CUP Stand Up Paddle Race 2018

Proudest Moment:

Representing India in Stand Up Paddling World CUP

My dream is to:

To represent India in 2024 Paris Olympics

India Accolades:

- First Place in women's national stand up paddling championship Covelong Point Surf Festival 2015
- First Place in women's national level Stand up Paddling championship Manapad surf festival 2016
- First Place in women's national level Stand up Paddling championship at Indian Open of Surfing 2016
- First place in women's national level Stand up Paddling championship at Covelong Point Surf festival 2016.
- Second place in women's national level kayaking championship 2016 at Manapad surf and sail festival 2016
- Third place in women's national level surfing competition at Indian Open of Surfing competition 2017
- First Place in women's national level Stand up Paddling championship at Indian Open of Surfing 2017
- Second place in women's national level stand up paddling championship Covelong point surf festival 2017
- First place in women's national level stand up paddling championship Covelong point surf festival 2018

International Accolades:

- Third place in Sup Surf Pro Am, North Carolina, USA 2017
- Third place in West Marine Carolina CUP, North Carolina
- Won international GROM of the year award 2017
- Bronze medal in Singapore Ocean CUP Stand Up Paddle Race 2018

International Representation:

- Represented India in Stand Up Paddling World Championship held in Denmark 2017

- 2018 Represented India in Singapore Paddle cup and came top5
- Represented India at the ISA Stand Up Paddling World Championship Fiji 2016 (at the age of 16 years). She secured 16th position against 206 participants from 26 countries and secured the 16th position. It was the first time a representative from India went on to represent SUP in the international level of this sport.

Others:

- TED Talk at RVCE College Bangalore

Surfing and SUP (Stand Up Paddling) may both be nascent sports in India, but are quickly becoming one of the fastest growing sports in India. Using her active social media presence, speaking opportunities & sponsor support she have been intent on expanding the presence of the sport in India.

Also, having fought prejudices from women wearing swimwear to the colour of one's skin and deep rooted inhibitions about women making career in sports, she is aware of the encouragement girls and women need to take the plunge in sports. As part of her campaign to create awareness about SUP surfing and to encourage more women to play the sport, I have been conducting SUP workshops for women and training three female athletes. The dream is to have a winning girls team at the world championships.

