

Commonwealth Games 2018 – Overview

The **2018 Commonwealth Games**, officially known as the **XXI Commonwealth Games or Gold Coast 2018**, which is held in Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, between 4 and 15 April 2018. It was the fifth time Australia had hosted the Commonwealth Games. Officially **Opened by Charles, Prince of Wales**. There were 71 nations competing at 2018 Commonwealth Games and 275 events were conducted in 19 sports.

The next Commonwealth Games are to be held in **Birmingham, England** from 27 July to 7 August **2022**, This is the third time England has hosted the Games. The Previous Commonwealth Games took place in Glasgow, Scotland, from 23 July to 3 August 2014.



Motto:

The official motto for the 2018 Commonwealth Games was "**Share the Dream**". It was chosen to highlight the dreams and experience at the games that were shared by participants of the games, ranging from athletes to volunteers and the host country Australia to the world including the Commonwealth nations.

Emblem:

The emblem of the 2018 Commonwealth Games was a **silhouette of the skyline and landscape of Gold Coast**, the host city of the games.

Mascot:

Borobi was named as the mascot of the 2018 Commonwealth Games in 2016. Borobi is a blue koala, with indigenous markings on its body. The term "borobi" means koala in the Yugambeh language, spoken by the indigenous Yugambeh people of the Gold Coast and surrounding areas.



2018 Commonwealth Games Medal Table

Rank	CGA	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	 Australia (AUS)*	80	59	59	198
2	 England (ENG)	45	45	46	136
3	 India (IND)	26	20	20	66
4	 Canada (CAN)	15	40	27	82
5	 New Zealand (NZL)	15	16	15	46
6	 South Africa (RSA)	13	11	13	37
7	 Wales (WAL)	10	12	14	36
8	 Scotland (SCO)	9	13	22	44
9	 Nigeria (NGR)	9	9	6	24
10	 Cyprus (CYP)	8	1	5	14
Total (43 CGAs)		275	276	289	840

About Commonwealth Games:

Formed in 1932. Headquarters of Commonwealth Games is London, England, United Kingdom. There are 71 Commonwealth Games Association members. **President** of Commonwealth Games is **Louise Martin**, Scotland.

India in Commonwealth Games 2018:

India ended its campaign in Gold Coast with a total of **66 medals (26 Gold, 20 Silver, 20 Bronze)**. This is India's third most successful Commonwealth Games. India was the best nation in 5 disciplines, weightlifting, shooting, wrestling, badminton and table tennis, and the second best nation in boxing. **PV Sindhu** was **India's flag bearer**. India best remains 101 in New Delhi (2010) followed by 69 in Manchester (2002).



Highlights:

- India won the most highest number of medals in Shooting. This became possible after the emergence of Young Indian Shooter like **Anish Bhanwala** Aged 15, who created history by becoming the

country's youngest gold medal winner in Commonwealth Games. He registered a total score of 30, a new Games record.

- In women's table tennis event, the Indian team won its gold medal which is the first ever gold medal in the Commonwealth Games.
- Ace Tennis player **Manika Batra** Won medal in each event she participated (Women's team, Women's singles, Women's doubles, Mixed doubles). She became the **first women Singles gold medal** winner in CWG.
- **Weightlifter Mirabai Chanu**, Won the First Gold Medal in **Women's 48 kg** in the Commonwealth Games and broke the records in the 'Snatch' section, the 'Clean & Jerk' and the overall games record.
- Following her weightlifter **Deepak Lather** from Haryana became the youngest Weightlifter to claim a Commonwealth Games medal, clinching a Bronze in **men's 69kg Category**.
- Weightlifter **Venkat Rahul Ragala** is the first Indian to win Gold medal in the **85kg Category** in the Commonwealth Games.
- **Neeraj Chopra**, aged 20 years who was the former Junior World Champion won Gold medal. Neeraj thus became the **first Gold medal winner** & the second javelin thrower from India to claim a CWG medal — the first being Kashinath Naik, who fetched a bronze in the 2010 Delhi Games
- **Saina Nehwal** became the first Indian to win two singles golds at the games after defeating P.V. Sindhu. With this win Saina, ranked 12th in the world.
- The Gold Medal won by **India's Mixed Badminton team** is the country's **first Medal** in that Category at the Commonwealth Games.

Medals won by India:

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total	Rank
Shooting	7	4	5	16	1
Wrestling	5	3	4	12	1
Weightlifting	5	2	2	9	1
Boxing	3	3	3	9	2
Table Tennis	3	2	3	8	1
Badminton	2	3	1	6	1
Athletics	1	1	1	3	14
Squash	0	2	0	2	4
Para Powerlifting	0	0	1	1	4

Shooting:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Manu Bhaker	Women's 10 metre air pistol	Gold
2	Jitu Rai	Men's 10 metre air pistol	Gold
3	Heena Sidhu	Women's 25 metre Pistol	Gold
4	Shreyasi Singh	Women's Double Trap	Gold
5	Tejaswini Sawant	Women's 50metre rifle 3 Positions	Gold
6	Anish Bhanwala	Men's 25 metre rapid fire Pistol	Gold
7	Sanjeev Rajput	Men's 50metre rifle 3 Positions	Gold
8	Heena Sidhu	Women's 10 metre air pistol	Silver
9	Mehuli Ghosh	Women's 10 metre air rifle	Silver
10	Tejaswini Sawant	Women's 50metre rifle prone	Silver
11	Anjum Moudgil	Women's 50m rifle 3 Positions	Silver
12	Ravi Kumar	Men's 10 metre air rifle	Bronze
13	Om Prakash Mitharwal	Men's 10 metre air pistol	Bronze
14	Apurvi Chandela	Women's 10 metre air rifle	Bronze
15	Om Prakash Mitharwal	Men's 50 metre pistol	Bronze
16	Ankur Mittal	Men's double trap	Bronze

Wrestling:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Rahul Aware	Men's freestyle 57 kg	Gold
2	Sushil Kumar	Men's freestyle 74 kg	Gold
3	Bajrang Punia	Men's freestyle 65 kg	Gold
4	Sumit Malik	Men's freestyle 125 kg	Gold
5	Vinesh Phogat	Women's freestyle 50 kg	Gold
6	Babita Kumari	Women's freestyle 53 kg	Silver
7	Pooja Dhanda	Women's freestyle 57 kg	Silver
8	Mausam Khatri	Men's freestyle 97 kg	Silver
9	Kiran Bishnoi	Women's freestyle 76 kg	Bronze
10	Divya Kakran	Women's freestyle 68 kg	Bronze
11	Sakshi Malik	Women's freestyle 62 kg	Bronze
12	Somveer Kadian	Men's freestyle 86 kg	Bronze

Weightlifting:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Saikhom Mirabai Chanu	Women's 48 kg	Gold
2	Khumukcham Sanjita Chanu	Women's 53 kg	Gold
3	Sathish Sivalingam	Men's 77 kg	Gold
4	Ragala Venkat Rahul	Men's 85 kg	Gold
5	Punam Yadav	Women's 69 kg	Gold
6	Gururaja Poojary	Men's 56 kg	Silver
7	Pardeep Singh	Men's 105 kg	Silver

8	Deepak Lather	Men's 69 kg	Bronze
9	Vikas Thakur	Men's 94 kg	Bronze

Boxing:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Mary Kom	Women's light flyweight 48 kg	Gold
2	Gaurav Solanki	Men's flyweight 52 kg	Gold
3	Vikas Krishan Yadav	Men's middleweight 75 kg	Gold
4	Amit Panghal	Men's light flyweight 49 kg	Silver
5	Manish Kaushik	Men's lightweight 60 kg	Silver
6	Satish Kumar	Men's super heavyweight (+91 kg)	Silver
7	Naman Tanwar	Men's heavyweight 91 kg	Bronze
8	Hussamuddin Mohammed	Men's bantamweight 56 kg	Bronze
9	Manoj Kumar	Men's welterweight 69 kg	Bronze

Table Tennis:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Manika Batra Mouma Das Sutirtha Mukherjee Madhurika Patkar Pooja Sahasrabudhe	Women's team	Gold
2	Sharath Achanta Anthony Amalraj Harmeet Desai	Men's team	Gold

	Sanil Shetty Sathiyan Gnanasekaran		
3	Manika Batra	Women's singles	Gold
4	Manika Batra Mouma Das	Women's doubles	Silver
5	Sharath Achanta Sathiyan Gnanasekaran	Men's doubles	Silver
6	Harmeet Desai Sanil Shetty	Men's doubles	Bronze
7	Manika Batra Sathiyan Gnanasekaran	Mixed doubles	Bronze
8	Sharath Achanta	Men's singles	Bronze

Badminton:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Pranav Chopra Prannoy Kumar Saina Nehwal Ashwini Ponnappa Satwiksairaj Rankireddy Sikki Reddy Chirag Shetty Gadde Ruthvika Shivani P V Sindhu Kidambi Srikanth	Mixed team	Gold
2	Saina Nehwal	Women's singles	Gold
3	P. V. Sindhu	Women's singles	Silver
4	Kidambi Srikanth	Men's singles	Silver
5	Satwiksairaj Rankireddy Chirag Shetty	Men's doubles	Silver
6	Ashwini Ponnappa Sikki Reddy	Women's doubles	Bronze

Athletics:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Neeraj Chopra	Men's javelin throw	Gold
2	Seema Antil	Women's discus throw	Silver
3	Navjeet Dhillon	Women's discus throw	Bronze

Squash:

The list of Medal Winners are:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Dipika Pallikal Karthik Saurav Ghosal	Mixed doubles	Silver
2	Dipika Pallikal Karthik Joshna Chinappa	Women's doubles	Silver

Para Powerlifting:

S.No	Name	Event	Medal
1	Sachin Chaudhary	Men's heavyweight	Bronze