

women's golf tournaments, the Hero Women's Indian Open, celebrated its milestone 17th edition in Gurgaon. Sanctioned by the Ladies European Tour (LET) and supported by Hero MotoCorp for 15 years, the tournament once again stood as a beacon of empowerment, inclusion, and sporting excellence - a movement that continues to shape the future of women's golf in India. The event also saw legendary cricket-

sportsmanship and enthusiasm to the forefront.

With a USD 500,000 (₹4.4 crore approx) prize purse, the 2025 edition brought together an extraordinary mix of global and homegrown talent. Leading India's challenge were Diksha Dagar, Tvesa Malik, and Pranavi Urs - players who have risen through the ranks of the tour, India's premier domestic circuit. Having honed their skills on home soil,

try on the global stage.

They were joined by international stars such as Liz Young, current LET Order of Merit leader Mimi Rhodes, and accomplished champions Alice Hewson, Shannon Tan, and Sara Kouskova - collectively forming one of the strongest fields in the tournament's history.

The tournament has been one of the definitive platforms for Indian

women golfers. A landmark moment in its legacy came in 2016, when Aditi Ashok became the first Indian woman to win an LET title on home soil.

Speaking about the edition, Dr Pawan Munjal, Executive Chairman of the brand, said, "For fifteen years, the Hero Women's Indian Open has championed progress - giving women athletes a stage to lead, compete, and inspire. At Hero MotoCorp, our commitment goes beyond the game. We are driving change, empowering talent, and redefining what's possible for women in sport and beyond.'

Over the years, the tournament has nurtured India's finest golfers, serving as a launchpad for those who now shine internationally. The tournament aims to inspire change, and the recent edition reaffirmed India's growing prominence on the global golf map.



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