

Standing on their feat

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On a fateful September evening in 2007, Amit Kumar Saroha's life changed forever. A road accident left him with severe spinal injuries, confining the sturdy youngster to a life on a wheelchair. But Saroha, a former junior national hockey player, was not willing to let fate have the final say.

Amit soon found his calling in para-sports, short for 'parallel sports' for people with disability. As he dished out a series of medal winning performances in discus and club throw, including in international events, awards and accolades followed. His disability was no longer a burden and he was financially independent.

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■ Para-athletes at the National Para Athletics championship in Panchkula.

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