

Name	Saurabh Rawat
DOB	21/12/1996
Nationality	Indian
Player Status	Unavailable
Playing Role	Wicket-Keeper
Batting Style	RH Top Order Bat
Bowling Style	RA Off Spin
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa

Saurabh Rawat is an exceptional batter wicket-keeper playing alongside fellow CricX stars Jay Bista, and Mayank Mishra for Uttarakhand in Indian domestic cricket.

He joined the northern Indian state for the 2018/19 season, following two inauspicious years with Odisha, with whom he made his first-class debut in 2016. He's been a revelation for Uttarakhand ever since.

Rawat lit up the Ranji Trophy during his initial season hitting 593 runs at 59.30. He struck his maiden century in November 2018 – converting it into a double (220 from 381 balls) against Sikkim. Roll on January 2019, and Rawat's run-fest continued, hitting his second and third centuries in succession against Mizoram (108 from 162 balls), and in the quarter-final against eventual Ranji Trophy winners Vidarbha (108 from 162 balls).

His innings against the latter evidenced his absolute class, with his ton coming against an attack featuring Indian quick Umesh Yadav, and domestic spin legends Akshay Wakhare, and Aditya Sarwate (who boast 463 first-class wickets at 25 between them).

Like many promising youngsters, Rawat failed to replicate this success the following, and most recent Ranji Trophy season (2019/20), only scoring 432 runs at 24, a tally that included scores of 66 and 110 in a match against Jharkhand. Nevertheless, he remains an incredible prospect, who is equally destructive in white-ball cricket, with 427 runs at 38.81 over his 22 List A matches for his State.

The gloveman, who comes highly recommended by his team-mate Jay Bista, is now eager to follow in his footsteps and secure a UK club for the 2024 season*.

* Rawat needs to play 2 more FC matches to qualify for an ISP Visa.

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