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## **Pakistan defeat India Wins Kabaddi World Cup for the first time**

### **PAKISTAN WON KABDDI WORLD CUP 2020**

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**USPA NEWS** - Pakistan emerged victorious from a close contest against India in the final of the Kabaddi World Cup on Sunday in Lahore's Punjab Stadium.

The hosts won 43-41 to become Kabaddi world champions for the first time.

Pakistan won the toss and decided to raid first. In the beginning, India was leading and maintained the margin of a couple of points until the first session was over.

Pakistan has won the Kabaddi World Cup for the first time. Players from both the sides exhibited top class kabaddi during the tough contest. Defending champions India maintained their supremacy against host Pakistan in the first half by 24-18.

A heated moment took place in the fifth minute of the second half after a point was awarded to the Pakistan.

However, Pakistan leveled the match at 32 points each and started to build a lead.

Pakistan was awarded a cash prize of ten million rupees along the trophy while Indian team was given seven point five million rupees cash prize.

Governor Punjab Chaudhary Muhammad Sarwar, who was the chief guest of the final match, distributed prizes among the players.

President Arif Ali congratulated Pakistan Kabaddi team on winning World Cup and wrote, "We should dedicate this win to peace in the region and the world."<sup>[?]</sup>

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